



CS260 Intro to Java & Android

04.Android Intro

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Android - Getting Started

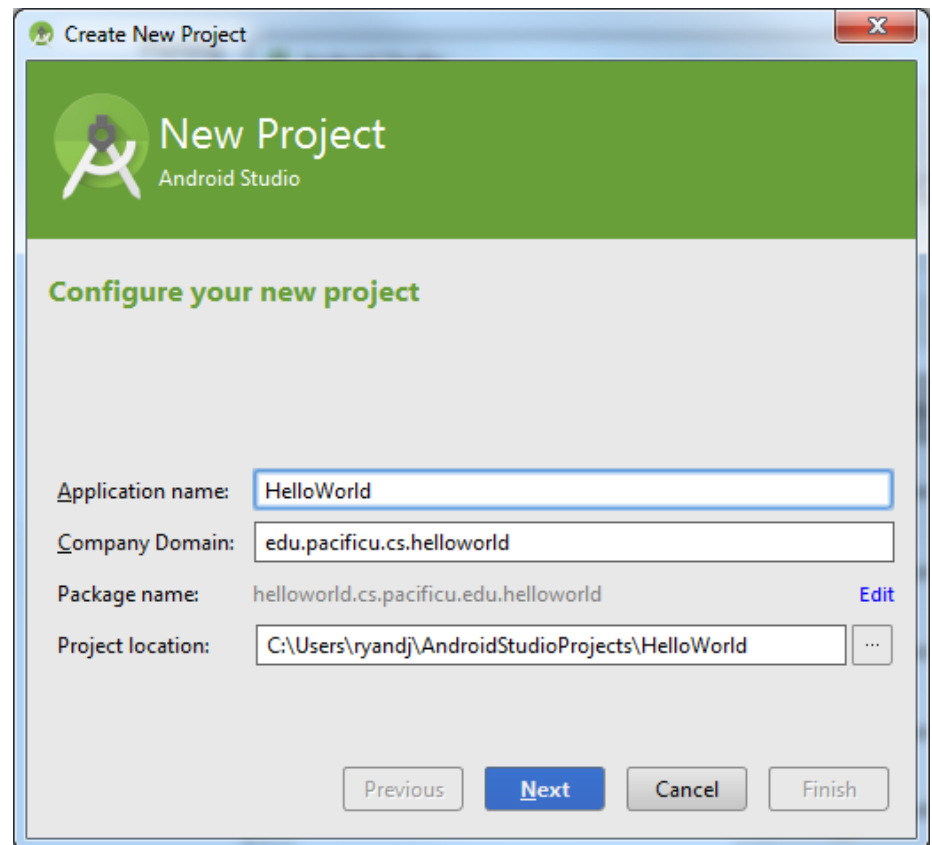
- Android SDK contains:
 - API Libraries
 - Developer Tools
 - Documentation
 - Sample Code
- Present development tools:
 - Eclipse with the Android Developer Tool (ADT) plugin which integrates developer tools
 - Android Studio

Android Portability

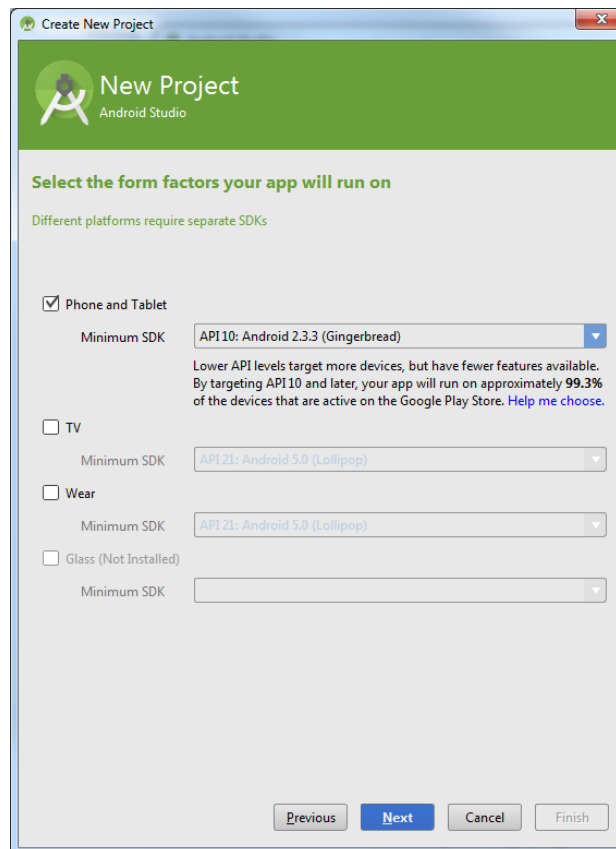
- Android applications run within the Dalvik virtual machine
- ART is a new Android runtime being introduced in 4.4
- Development Platforms:
 - Windows (XP, Windows, 7, 8)
 - Linux
 - Mac OS 10.4.8 or later (Intel chips only)

Android HelloWorld Application

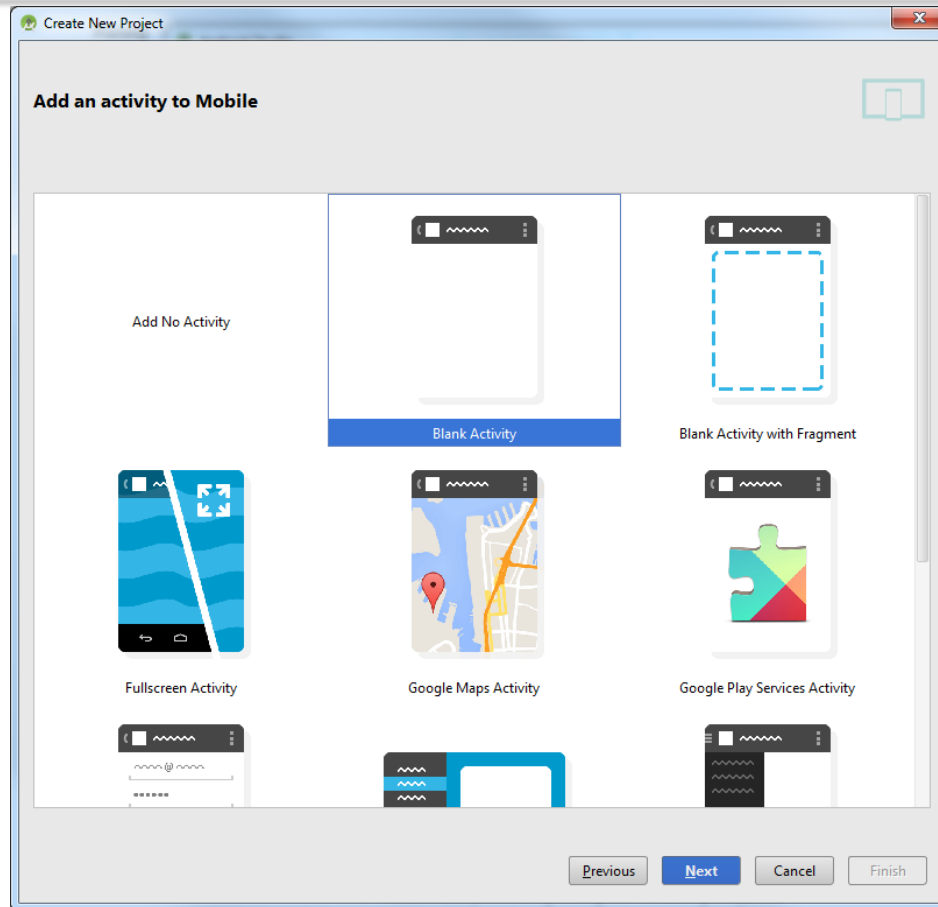
- Start Android Studio
- We will create our warm fuzzy HelloWorld



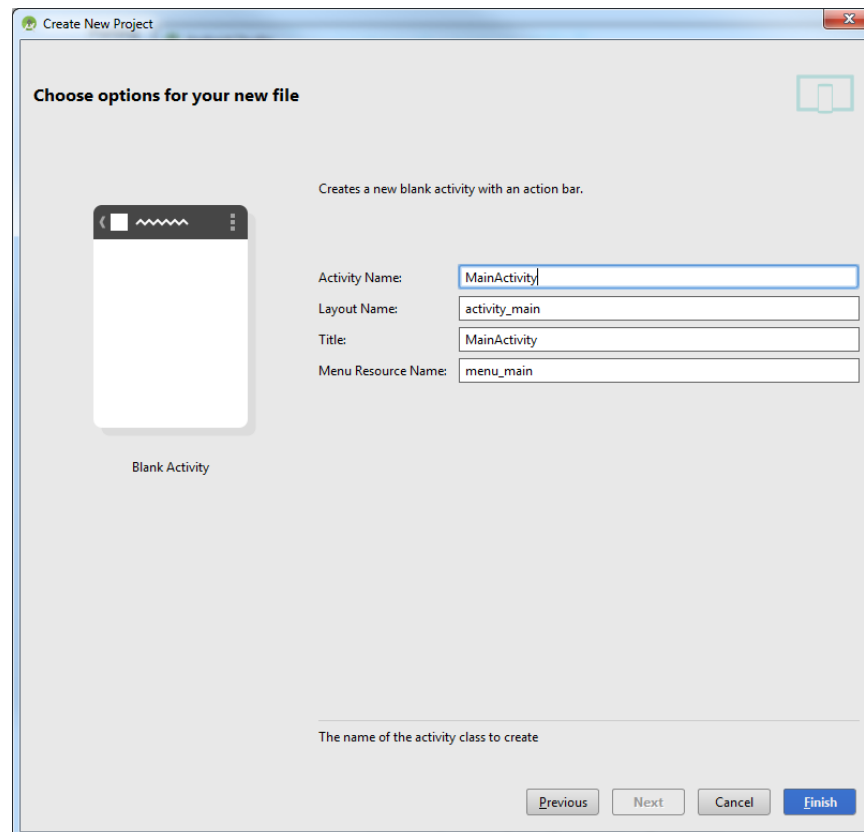
New Android Project



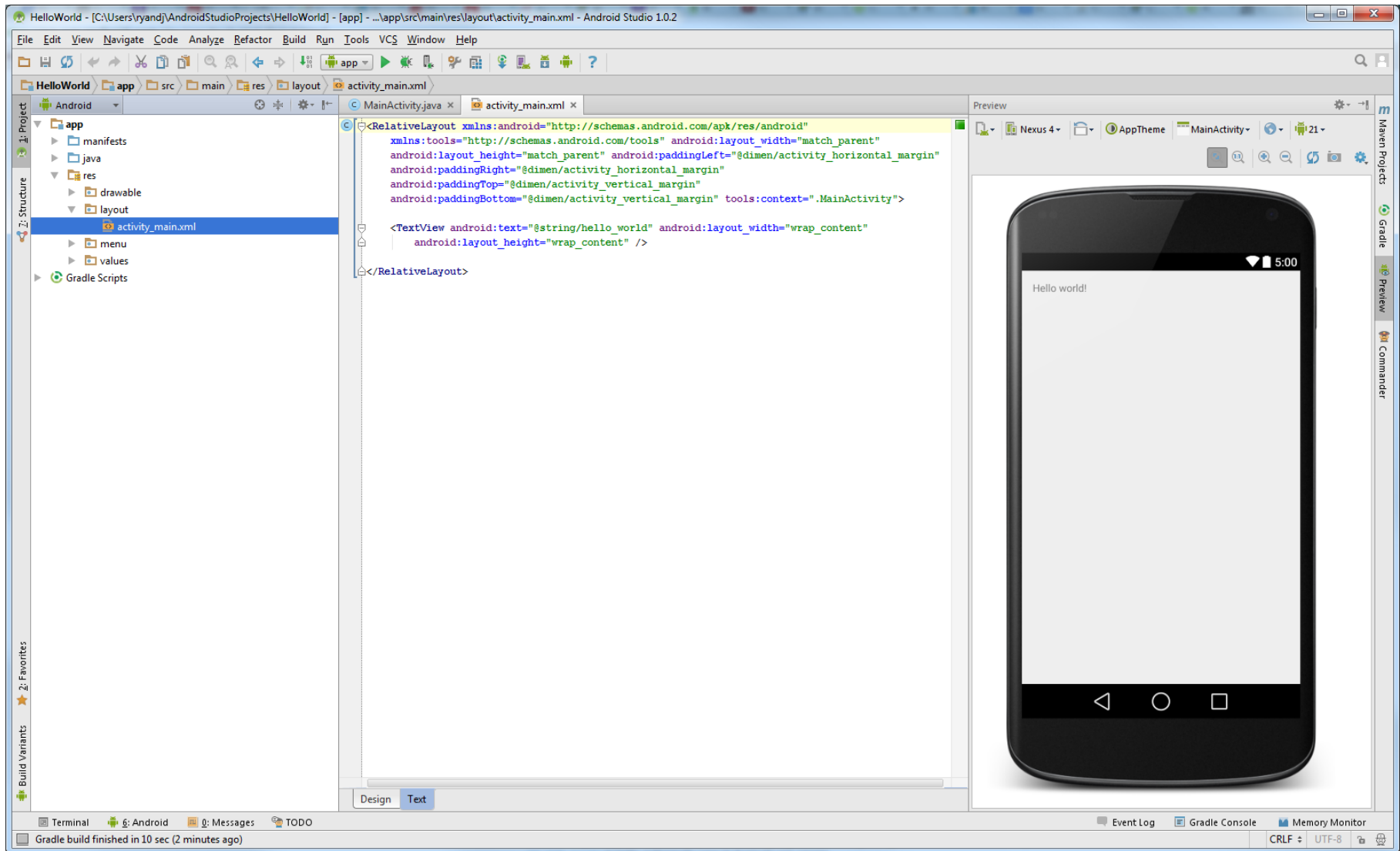
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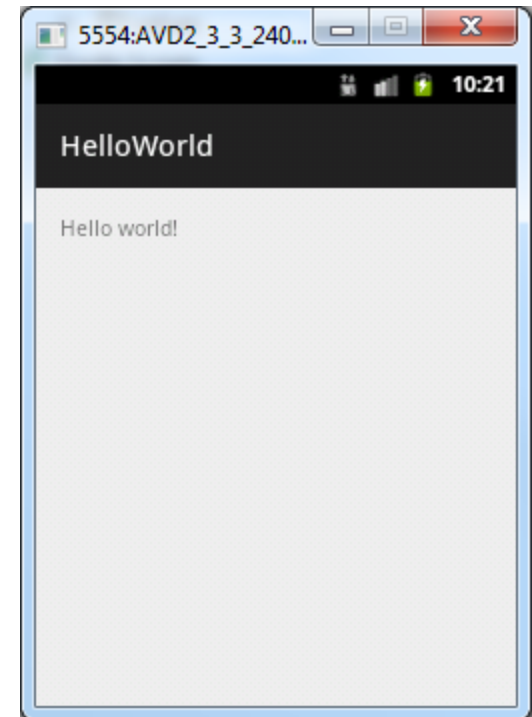


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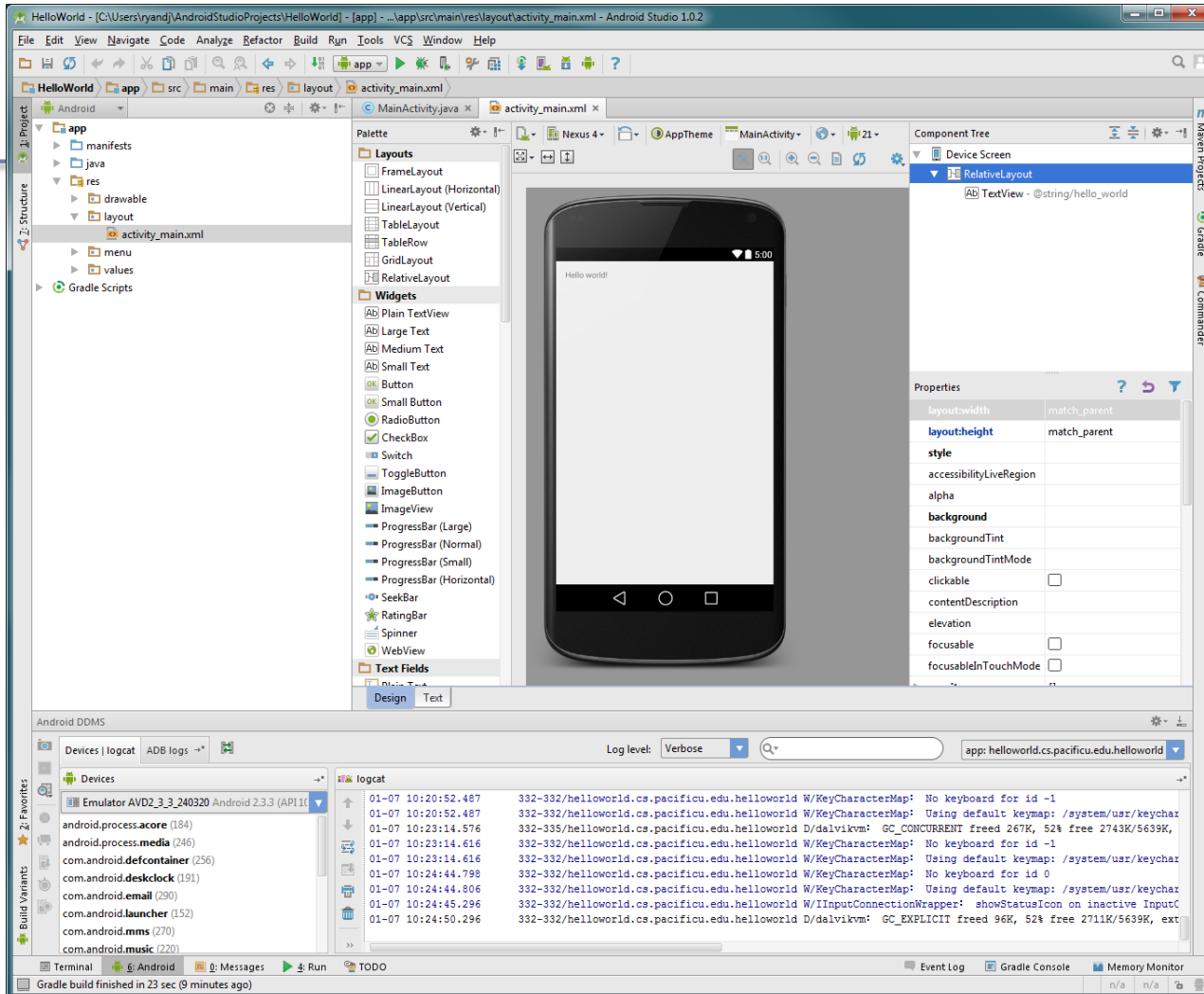


Run the Android Application

- Special keys
 - left ctl & F11 - landscape
 - Esc - back button
 - Home - Home
 - F3 - Call / Dial button
 - F4 - Hang up / end call
 - F5 - Search
- More Shortcuts
<http://www.shortcutworld.com/en/win/Android-Emulator.html>



Design Mode



HelloWorldAndroid Project

```
MainActivity.java x activity_main.xml x
package helloworld.cs.pacificu.edu.helloworld;

import android.support.v7.app.ActionBarActivity;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.view.Menu;
import android.view.MenuItem;

public class MainActivity extends ActionBarActivity {

    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
    }

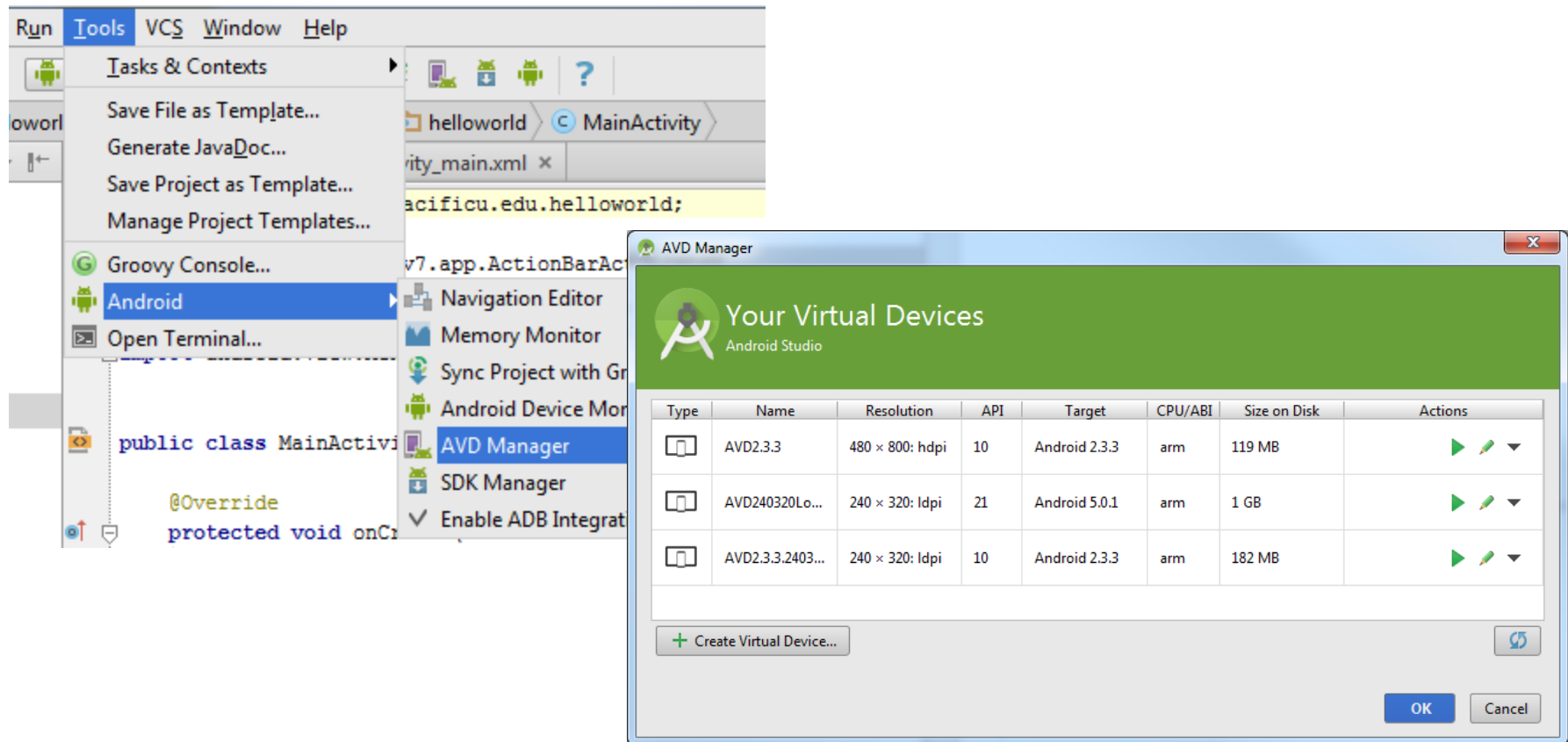
    @Override
    public boolean onCreateOptionsMenu(Menu menu) {
        // Inflate the menu; this adds items to the action bar if it is present.
        getMenuInflater().inflate(R.menu.menu_main, menu);
        return true;
    }

    @Override
    public boolean onOptionsItemSelected(MenuItem item) {
        // Handle action bar item clicks here. The action bar will
        // automatically handle clicks on the Home/Up button, so long
        // as you specify a parent activity in AndroidManifest.xml.
        int id = item.getItemId();

        //noinspection SimplifiableIfStatement
        if (id == R.id.action_settings) {
            return true;
        }

        return super.onOptionsItemSelected(item);
    }
}
```

Creating Virtual Devices



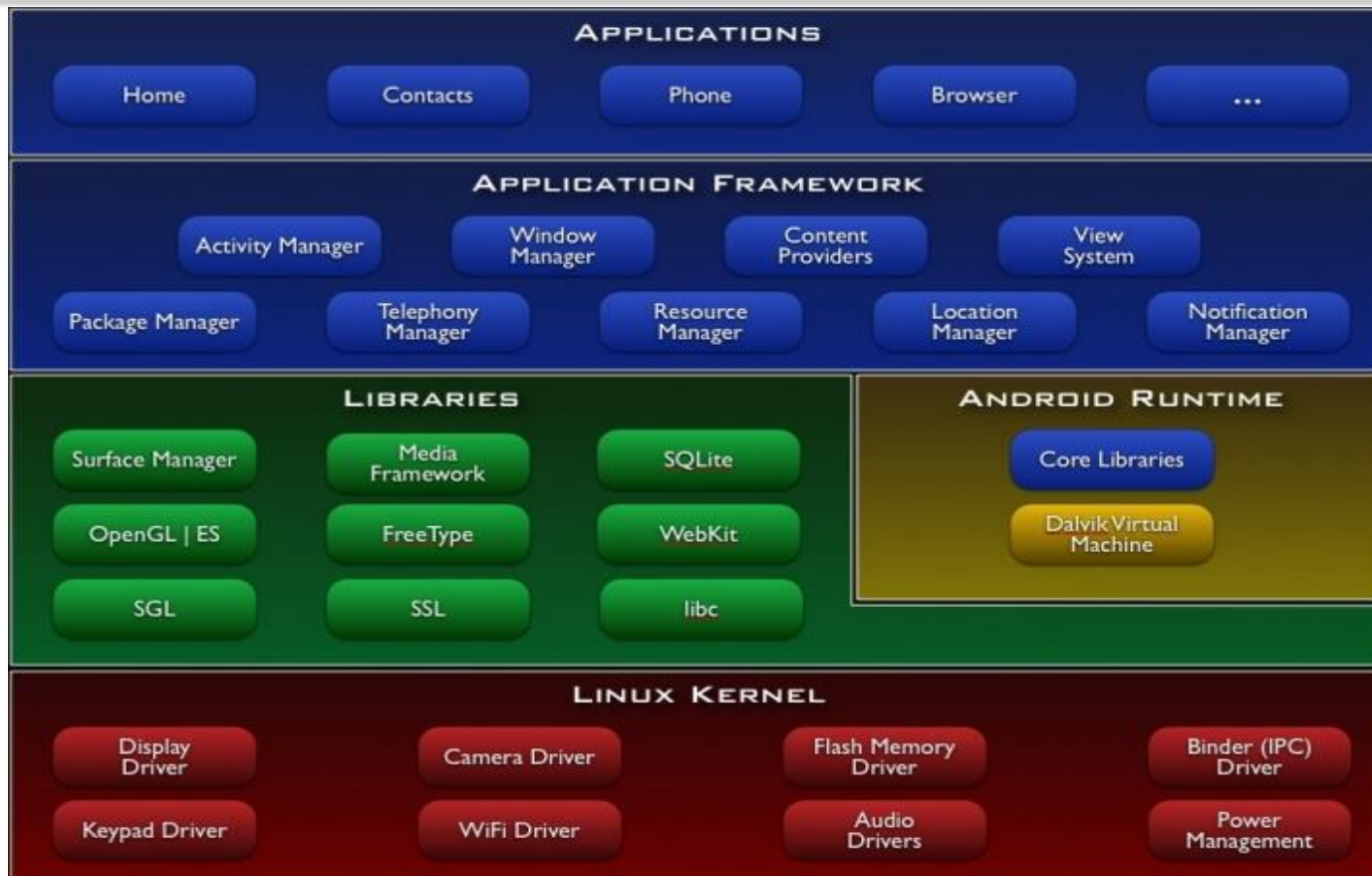
Important Android Dates

- Google acquires Android, August 2005
- Open Handset Alliance (OHA) announced, November 2007. OHA developed Android and is “...committed to commercially deploy handsets and services using the Android Platform.” [10]
- First Android Phone, G1, October 2008
- Android SDK 1.0, October 2008

What is Android?

- Android is a software stack (set of programs working together) for mobile devices that includes:
 - an operating system
 - middleware
 - applications

Android Architecture

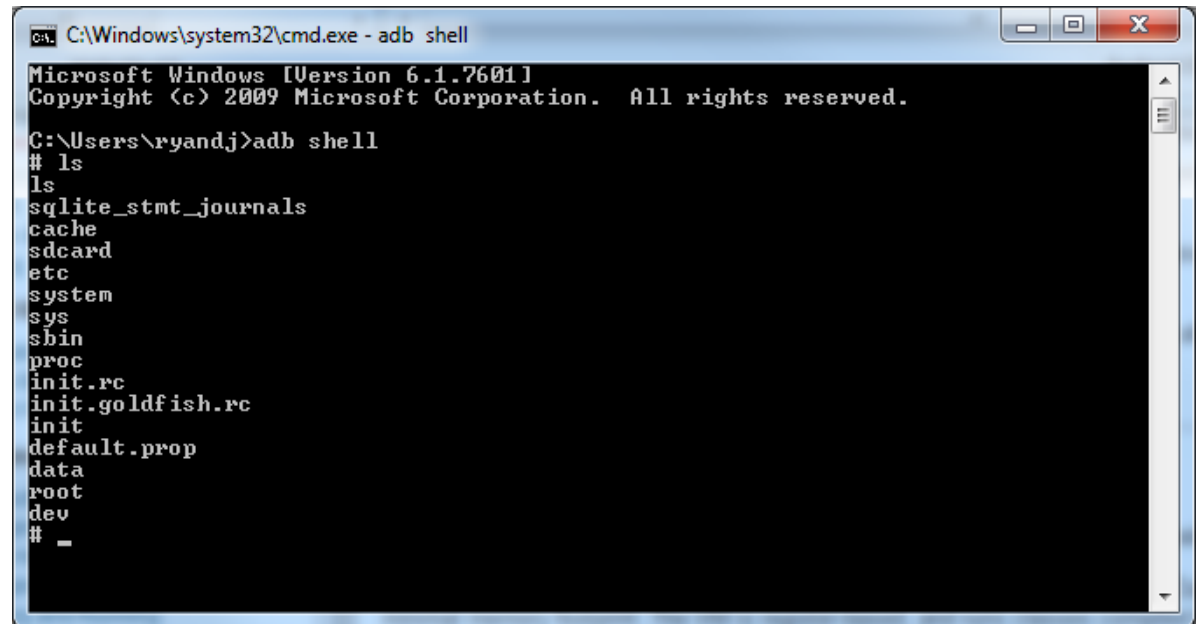


Linux Kernel

- Android relies on Linux version 2.6 (3.x from Android 4.0 Ice Cream Sandwich) for:
 - memory management
 - process management
 - security
 - networking
- You will not make Linux system calls
- Some utilities interact with Linux
 - e.g. adb shell

adb shell

- With an emulator running, open a Windows command shell
- Type adb shell
- Type ls



```
ca. C:\Windows\system32\cmd.exe - adb shell
Microsoft Windows [Version 6.1.7601]
Copyright (c) 2009 Microsoft Corporation. All rights reserved.

C:\Users\ryandj>adb shell
# ls
ls
sqlite_stmt_journals
cache
sdcard
etc
system
sys
sbin
proc
init.rc
init.goldfish.rc
init
default.prop
data
root
dev
# _
```

- Now you can examine the Linux file system of the phone which aids in debugging

Native Libraries

- The native libraries are written in C & C++
- The libraries are exposed through the Application framework

Application Framework

- Android developers have access to the same framework APIs use by the core applications
- Services and systems for applications include:
 - **Views** – including lists, grids, buttons,
 - **Content Providers** – methods for accessing data
 - **Resource Manager** – organizes non-code resources such as strings and layout files
 - **Notification Manager** – displays custom alerts
 - **Activity Manager** – manages lifecycle of applications

Android Runtime

Every Application:

- Runs in its own process space
- Has a separate instance of the Dalvik VM
 - The Dalvik VM uses the Linux kernel for functionality such as threading and low-level memory management
 - Dalvik VM \neq JVM
- All Android code is written in Java and run within the Dalvik VM

What is Dalvik?

- Dalvik is a VM optimized for low memory requirements
- Android code is compiled into bytecodes executed by the Dalvik VM
- bytecodes are machine-independent instructions

Android Applications

- Apps are written in Java
- Code is compiled into Android package (.apk file)
- All code (including data & resource files) in .apk is one application

Android Application Specifics

- Android is a multi-user Linux system where each application is a user
- Only one application is visible at a time
- Each process has its own VM running an application in isolation
- Two or more applications can share data
- Applications consist of one or more activities

What is an Activity?

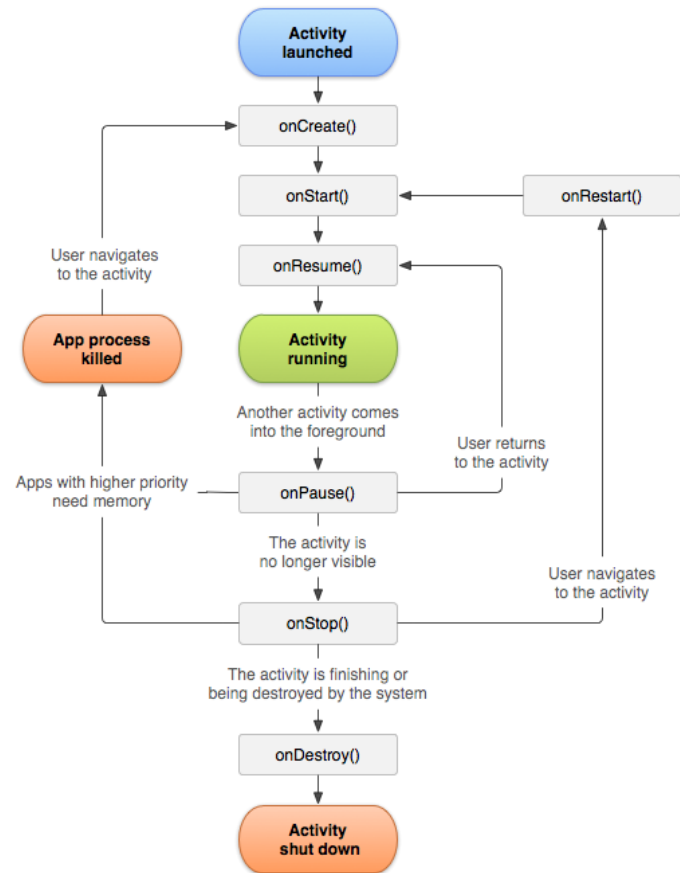
- An Activity represents a single screen with a UI
- Ex: Email Application consists of activities for
 - Showing list of emails
 - Composing an email
 - Reading an email
- Each activity is independent
- Other applications can use a particular activity if the email application gives permission to do so

Activity Lifecycle

Activity – a process that performs some specific action

- Every Android application is made up of one or more activities managed on an Activity Stack (AS) or the “back stack”.
- A new activity is always placed on top of the AS and then becomes the running activity.
- The AS is LIFO; therefore, when the Back button is pressed the current activity is popped and destroyed

Activity Lifecycle Visual



Activity States

An activity has essentially four states:

- **running** – in the foreground of the screen
- **paused** – lost focus but still visible with all state maintained
 - How? A new activity that is transparent or not full sized is running on top of the stack
- **stopped** – a new activity completely obscures another activity
 - The stopped activity is no longer visible
 - State is maintained
- **destroyed** – the activity must be completely restarted and the state information must be

Activity Skeleton

```
6 public class MainActivity extends Activity
7 {
8
9     @Override
10    protected void onCreate (Bundle savedInstanceState)
11    { // The activity is being created
12        super.onCreate (savedInstanceState);
13    }
14    @Override
15    protected void onStart ()
16    { // The activity is about to become visible
17        super.onStart ();
18    }
19    @Override
20    protected void onResume ()
21    { // The activity has become visible (is is now "resumed")
22        super.onResume ();
23    }
24    @Override
25    protected void onPause ()
26    { // Another activity is taking focus
27        super.onPause ();
28    }
29    @Override
30    protected void onStop ()
31    { // The activity is no longer visible (it is now "stopped")
32        super.onStop ();
33    }
34    @Override
35    protected void onDestroy ()
36    { // The activity is about to be destroyed
37        super.onDestroy ();
38    }
39    @Override
40    protected void onRestart ()
41    { // The user returns to the activity
42        super.onRestart ();
43    }
```

ActivityLifecycleDemo Application

Copy the Android Project **ActivityLifecycle** from CS260-01Public

1. Place the file in AndroidStudioProjects on your local machine
2. Let's take a look at the source code
3. Run the application

Q1: What is the difference between hitting the home button (HOME) and back button (ESC) ?

Q2: What is Log.v and how can it be used?