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SMS, binary SMS and MMS

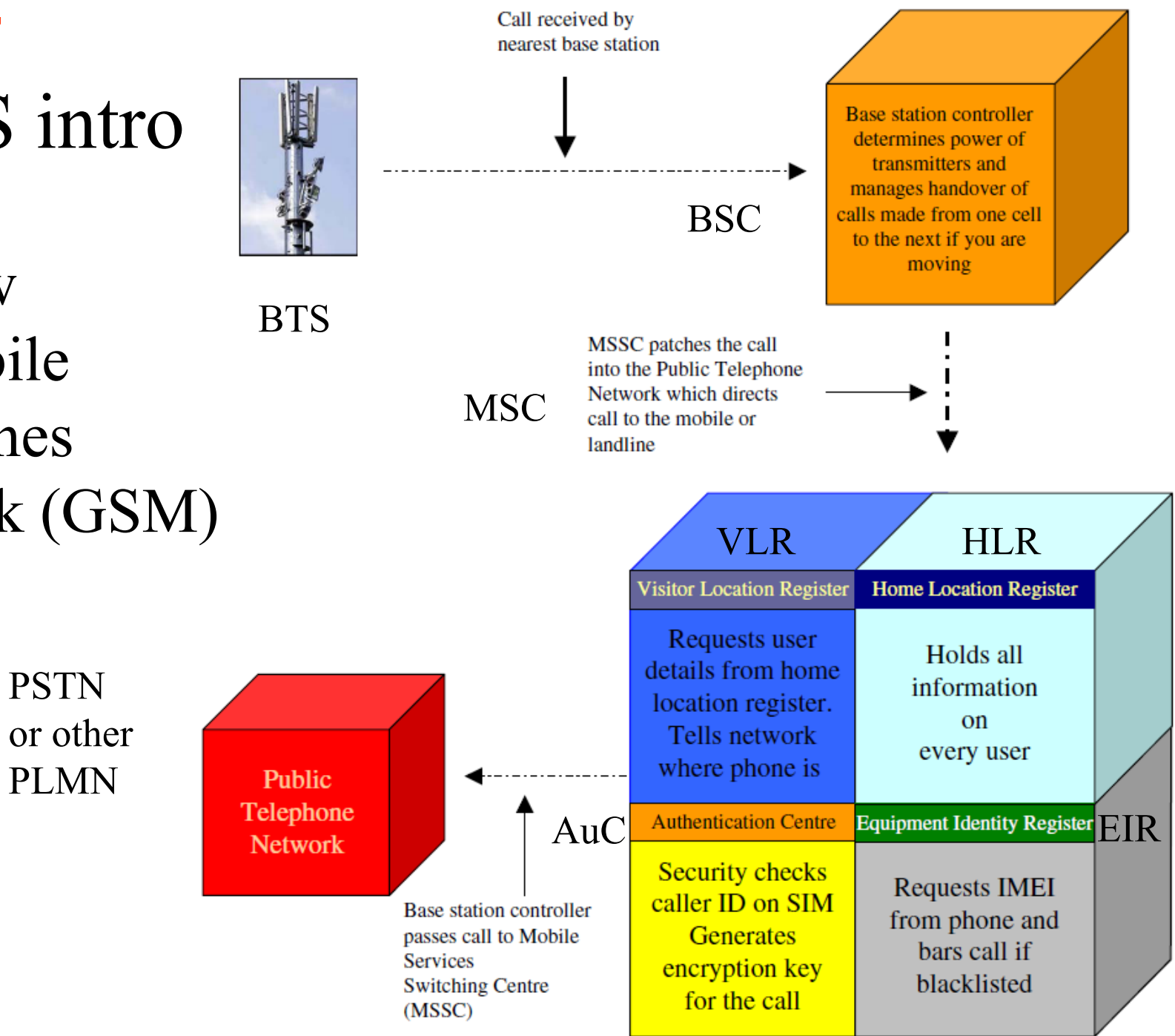
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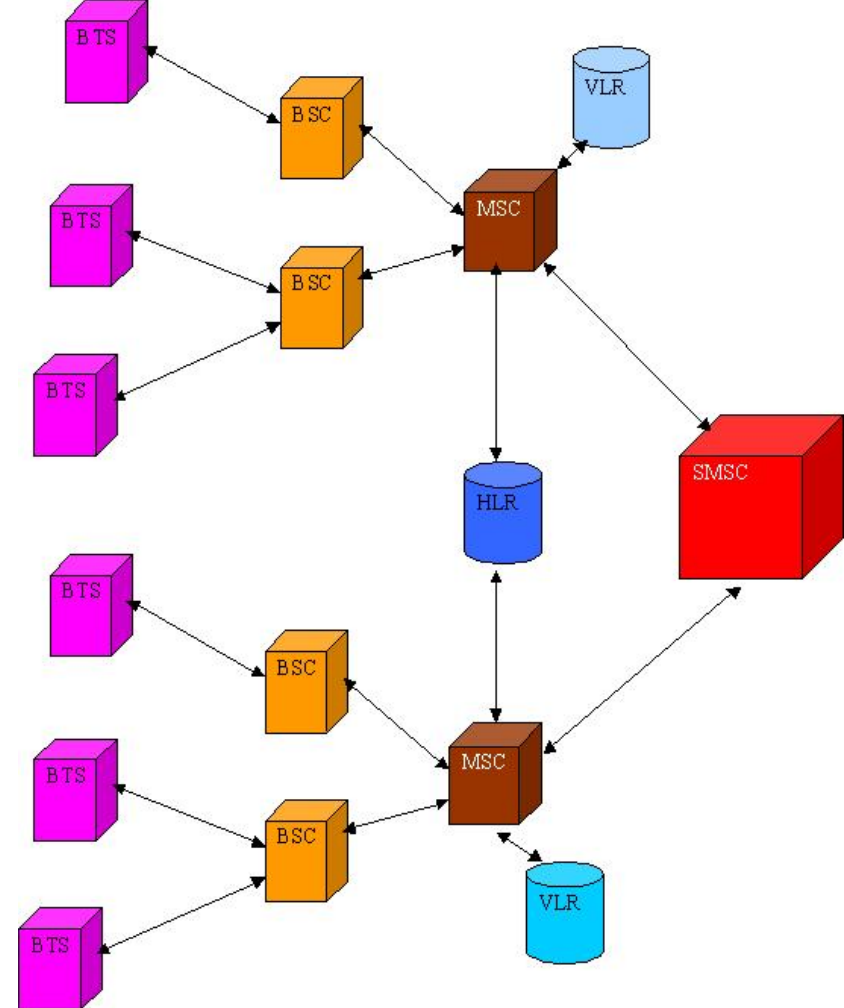
SMS intro

- How mobile phones work (GSM)



SMS intro

- BTS - Base Transceiver Station (antenna)
- BSC - Base Station Controller
- MSC - Mobile Switching Center
- HLR- Home Location Register
- VLR - Visitor Location Register
- SMSC - Short Message Service Center
- When a user sends an SMS, the request is placed via the MSC
- The MSC forwards the SMS to the SMSC where it gets stored
- The SMSC queries the HLR to find out where the destination mobile is and forwards the message to the destination MSC if the destination mobile is available
- If the mobile is not available the message gets stored in the current SMSC itself. In most installations If a mobile is not available for SMS delivery the SMSC will not retry. Instead the destination MSC will inform the SMSC when the mobile comes back in range



Send a SMS



- A PendingIntent is a long lived (owner process can be killed) description of an Intent and target action to perform with it
 - By giving a PendingIntent to another application, you are granting it the right to perform the operation you have specified as if the other application was yourself (with the same permissions and identity)
 - <https://stackoverflow.com/questions/2808796/what-is-an-android-pendingintent>
- SmsManager manages SMS operations
 - Most SMSs are sent via the PDU (Protocol Description Unit) format: <http://www.gsm-modem.de/sms-pdu-mode.html>
- To receive SMS we must set up a receiver in AndroidManifest and create the BroadcastReceiver class which override the onReceive(Context context, Intent intent) method (next slide)

```
private void sendSMS(String phoneNumber, String message)
{
    PendingIntent pi = PendingIntent.getActivity(this, 0, new Intent(this, SMS.class), 0);
    // Get the default instance of the SmsManager
    SmsManager sms = SmsManager.getDefault();
    // sendTextMessage (String destinationAddress, String scAddress, String text,
    // PendingIntent sentIntent, PendingIntent deliveryIntent), beware of API changes!
    sms.sendTextMessage(phoneNumber, null, message, pi, null);
}
```

If we want to listen for the sent and delivery intents we need to set up receivers for these as well

Needed permissions in AndroidManifest
android.permission.SEND_SMS
android.permission.RECEIVE_SMS

Receive a SMS



- The incoming SMS broadcast receiver uses a bundle to retrieve the PDU (Protocol Description Unit), which contains the SMS text and any additional SMS meta-data, and parses it into an Object array

```
public class SmsReceiver extends BroadcastReceiver
{
    @Override
    public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent)
    {
        Bundle bundle = intent.getExtras(); //---get the SMS message passed in---
        SmsMessage[] msgs = null;
        String str = "My SmsReceiver-> ";

        if (bundle != null)
        {
            //---retrieve the SMS message received---
            Object[] pdus = (Object[]) bundle.get("pdus");
            msgs = new SmsMessage[pdus.length];
            //---for every SMS message received---
            for (int i=0; i<msgs.length; i++)
            {
                msgs[i] = SmsMessage.createFromPdu((byte[])pdus[i]); // convert Object array
                str += "SMS from " + msgs[i].getOriginatingAddress(); //sender's phone number
                str += " : ";
                str += msgs[i].getMessageBody().toString(); // get the text message
                str += "\n";
            } //---display the new SMS message---
            Toast.makeText(context, str, Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show();
        }
    }
}
```

```
<receiver android:name=".SmsReceiver"> <!-- AndroidManifest -->
    <intent-filter>
        <action android:name="android.provider.Telephony.SMS_RECEIVED" />
    </intent-filter>
</receiver>
```

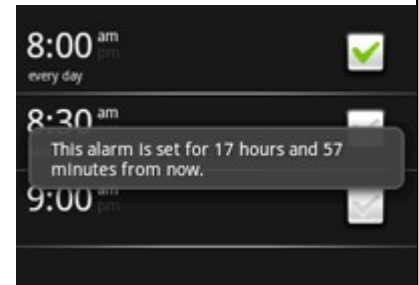
Dynamic BroadcastReceiver



- By registering a broadcast receiver in the AndroidManifest or dynamically in the source code, the application can listen and respond to broadcast Intents that match a specific filter criteria
- By calling batteryLevel() a Toast will show the battery level when onReceive() is called by the system
- When onRecive() is done the lifecycle has ended for a broadcast receiver

```
private void batteryLevel()
{
    BroadcastReceiver batteryLevelReceiver = new BroadcastReceiver()
    {
        @Override
        public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent)
        {
            // unregistration of the reciever
            context.unregisterReceiver(this);
            int rawlevel = intent.getIntExtra(BatteryManager.EXTRA_LEVEL, -1);
            int scale = intent.getIntExtra(BatteryManager.EXTRA_SCALE, -1);
            int level = -1;
            if (rawlevel >= 0 && scale > 0) {
                level = (rawlevel * 100) / scale;
            }
            Toast.makeText(getApplicationContext(), "Battery Level Remaining: " + level + "%",
                Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show();
        }
    };

    // Intent and a dynamic registration of a receiver via registerReceiver
    IntentFilter batteryLevelFilter = new IntentFilter(Intent.ACTION_BATTERY_CHANGED);
    registerReceiver(batteryLevelReceiver, batteryLevelFilter);
}
```



Broadcast & Filter Intents



- We can create our own custom system wide broadcast intents with `sendBroadcast()`

```
public class Test extends Activity {
    public static final String CUST_EV1 = "myapp.CUSTOM_EVENT1";

    private void myReceiverMethod(Context context) {
        // create the receiver
        BroadcastReceiver myCustReceiver = new BroadcastReceiver(){
            @Override
            public void onReceive(Context c, Intent intent) {
                Bundle bundle = intent.getExtras();
                String message = bundle.getString(KEY);
                // TODO - take care of the actions
            }
        };
        // create filter and register the listener as usual
        // active when application is running or until unregistered
        // with unregisterReceiver(myCustReceiver);
        registerReceiver(myCustReceiver, new IntentFilter(CUST_EV1));
    }

    private void mySendBroadcastMethod(Context context) {
        // create the custom broadcast intent
        Intent intent = new Intent(CUST_EV1);
        intent.putExtra(KEY, ...);
        context.sendBroadcast(intent);
    }
}
```

```
// there are many native broadcast
// intents we either can listen for
// or use, at least +100!
Intent it =
    new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW, uri);
startActivity(it);

// examples
Intent.ACTION_DATE_CHANGED
Intent.ACTION_TIME_CHANGED
Intent.ACTION_MEDIA_BUTTON
Intent.ACTION_CAMERA_BUTTON
Intent.ACTION_NEW_OUTGOING_CALL
Intent.ACTION_SCREEN_ON
Intent.ACTION_SCREEN_OFF
Intent.ACTION_TIMEZONE_CHANGED
Intent.ACTION_PACKAGE_ADDED
Intent.ACTION_MEDIA_EJECT
Intent.ACTION_MEDIA_MOUNTED
Intent.ACTION_MEDIA_UNMOUNTED
Intent.ACTION_BATTERY_CHANGED
Intent.ACTION_POWER_CONNECTED
Intent.ACTION_POWER_DISCONNECTED
Intent.ACTION_BOOT_COMPLETED
Intent.ACTION_SHUTDOWN
Intent. ...
```

Send multipart SMS



- Most SMSes are restricted to 140 characters per text message. To make sure the message is within this limitation, use the **divideMessage()** method that divides the text into fragments in the maximum SMS message size. Then, the method **sendMultipartTextMessage()**

```
private void sendTextSMSMulti(String destination, String message) {
    SmsManager mySMS = SmsManager.getDefault();
    Intent sentIn = new Intent("SENT_SMS");
    PendingIntent sentPIn = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 0, sentIn, 0);
    Intent deliverIn = new Intent("DELIVER_SMS");
    PendingIntent deliverPIn = PendingIntent.getBroadcast(this, 0, deliverIn, 0);
    ArrayList<String> multiSMS = mySMS.divideMessage(message);
    ArrayList<PendingIntent> sentIns = new ArrayList<PendingIntent>();
    ArrayList<PendingIntent> deliverIns = new ArrayList<PendingIntent>();
    for(int i=0; i < multiSMS.size(); i++){
        sentIns.add(sentPIn);
        deliverIns.add(deliverPIn);
    }
    mySMS.sendMultipartTextMessage(destination, null, multiSMS, sentIns, deliverIns);

    BroadcastReceiver sentReceiver = new BroadcastReceiver(){
        @Override public void onReceive(Context c, Intent in) {
            switch(getResultCode()){
                case Activity.RESULT_OK:
                    Break; //sent SMS message successfully;
                default:
                    Break; //sent SMS message failed
            }
        }
    };

    BroadcastReceiver deliverReceiver = new BroadcastReceiver(){
        @Override public void onReceive(Context c, Intent in) {
            //SMS delivered actions
        }
    };

    registerReceiver(sentReceiver, new IntentFilter("SENT_SMS"));
    registerReceiver(deliverReceiver, new IntentFilter("DELIVER_SMS"));
}
```

Retrieve a PendingIntent that will perform a broadcast, like calling Context.sendBroadcast()

Send binary SMS and MMS



- To send binary SMS with `sendDataMessage` we need a destination port
- Sending MMS using the built-in SMS/MMS manager (the ones who listen for `ACTION_SEND`)

```
private void sendBinarySMS(String phoneNumber, byte[] data)
{
    short destinationPort = 2948;
    PendingIntent pi = PendingIntent.getActivity(this, 0, new Intent(this, SMS.class), 0);
    SmsManager sms = SmsManager.getDefault(); // Get the default instance of the SmsManager
    // Send a data based SMS to a specific application port.
    sms.sendDataMessage(phoneNumber, null, destinationPort, data, pi, null);
}
```

```
// Send MMS via a broadcast intent to the UE built in action send components
private void sendMMS(String phoneNo, String subject, String message)
{
    String url = "file:///sdcard//DCIM//07.jpg"; // Environment.getExternalStorageDirectory();
    /* The url being passed to the Uri.parse method should be of the form used to access the media store
    * such as content://media/external/images/media/23 or file://sdcard/dcim/Camera/off2.jpg
    */
    Intent sendIntent = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_SEND);
    sendIntent.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_PHONE_NUMBER, phoneNo);
    sendIntent.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_SUBJECT, subject);
    sendIntent.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_TEXT, message);
    sendIntent.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_STREAM, Uri.parse(url));
    sendIntent.setType("image/jpeg"); // specify explicit, normally type is set automatically from the data
    startActivity(sendIntent); // broadcast intent for all apps listening to ACTION_SEND
}
```

Binary SMS receiver



```
<receiver android:name="BinarySmsReceiver">
  <intent-filter>
    <action android:name="android.intent.action.DATA_SMS_RECEIVED"
      android:scheme="sms" android:host="localhost" android:port="2948">
    </action>
  </intent-filter>
</receiver>
```

```
public class BinarySmsReceiver extends BroadcastReceiver
{
    @Override
    public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent)
    {
        Bundle bundle = intent.getExtras();
        SmsMessage[] msgs = null;
        String info = "Binary SMS from ";
        if (bundle != null){
            //---retrieve the binary SMS message received---
            Object[] pdus = (Object[]) bundle.get("pdus");
            msgs = new SmsMessage[pdus.length];
            byte[] data = null;
            for (int i=0; i<msgs.length; i++)
            {
                msgs[i] = SmsMessage.createFromPdu((byte[])pdus[i]);
                info += msgs[i].getOriginatingAddress();
                info += "\n*****BINARY MESSAGE*****\n";
                // returns the user data section minus the user data header if one was present.
                data = msgs[i].getUserData();
                for(int index=0; index<data.length; index++)
                    info += Byte.toString(data[index]);
            }
            //---display the new binary SMS message---
            Toast.makeText(context, info, Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
        }
    }
}
```

Send SMS and Email with built-in client apps (user interaction)



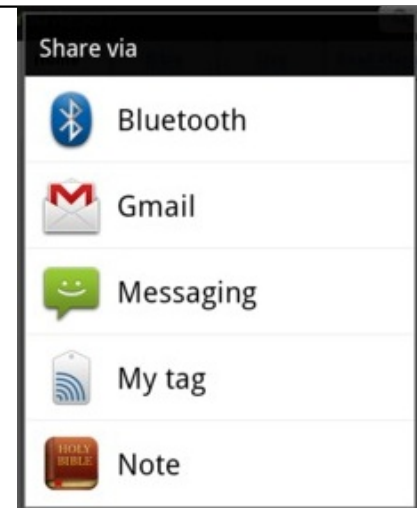
```
public void sendNativeSMS(String phoneNumber, String message)
{
    // sendNativeSMS("12345", "Hello my friends!");
    Intent i = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW);
    i.putExtra("address", phoneNumber);
    i.putExtra("sms_body", message);
    i.setType("vnd.android-dir/mms-sms");
    startActivity(i);
}
```

Convenience function for creating a ACTION_CHOOSER Intent
`startActivity(Intent.createChooser(myIntent, myString));`

```
String[] to = {"hjo@du.se"};
String[] cc = {""};
sendEmail(to, cc, mSubject, mMessage, mFileUrl);

// check http://www.openintents.org/en/uris for MIME types
// http://developer.android.com/reference/android/content/Intent.html

//---sends an Email message to another device---
private void sendEmail(String[] emailAddresses, String[] carbonCopies,
    String subject, String message, String url)
{
    Intent emailIntent = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_SEND);
    /* Intent emailIntent = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_SEND_MULTIPLE); */
    String[] to = emailAddresses;
    String[] cc = carbonCopies;
    emailIntent.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_EMAIL, to);
    emailIntent.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_CC, cc);
    emailIntent.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_SUBJECT, subject);
    emailIntent.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_TEXT, message);
    emailIntent.putExtra(Intent.EXTRA_STREAM, Uri.parse("file:/// " + mFileUrl));
    emailIntent.setType("text/plain");
    startActivity(Intent.createChooser(emailIntent, "Share via"));
}
```



Concurrent programming 1

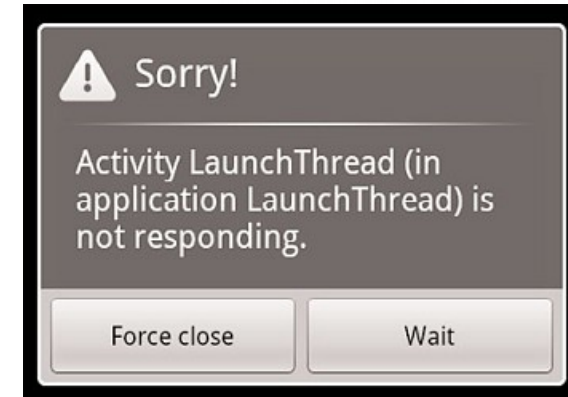


- Android applications normally run entirely on a single thread (the “main thread” or “UI thread”)
- The main thread handles all user input, executing code in event listeners, rendering and life cycle call backs
- Code running in the main thread should do as **little work as possible** to keep the application and it’s UI responsive
- Howto handle time consuming tasks?
 - Spawn a new thread to do the work in the background
 - Examples: Long calculations; network, file and database operations; game animations; ...

Concurrent programming 2



- The Android system guards against non responsiveness
- The Application Not Responding (ANR) FC/Wait dialog
- No response to an input event (key press or screen touch) within 5 sec. or a BroadcastReceiver hasn't finished executing within 10 sec.
 - <http://developer.android.com/training/articles/perf-anr.html>
- Create new threads in two ways (see example next slide)
 - Extending Thread or implement Runnable interface



```
1. extend java.lang.Thread
2. override public void run()
3. call thread.start();
```

```
1. implement interface java.lang.Runnable
2. override public void run()
3. Thread t = new Thread(new MyRunnable());
4. t.start();
```

Java Threads Basics

Full examples in Communication and WaitNotify folders

```
class ThreadTest()  
{  
    // Threads using interface Runnable  
    // you put in a ThreadDemo1 object as param when creating the thread  
    Thread t1 = new Thread(new ThreadDemo1());  
    // when we call thread start the run method is executed  
    t1.start();  
    // Threads inheriting (extends) from class Thread  
    ThreadDemo2 t2 = new ThreadDemo2();  
    // when we call thread start the run method is executed  
    t2.start();  
}  
class ThreadDemo1 implements Runnable  
{  
    // the run method must be implemented when using threads,  
    // here is where the actual thread execution is taking place,  
    // the thread dies when run returns  
    public void run(){  
        // do the work  
    }  
}  
class ThreadDemo2 extends Thread  
{  
    // identical code to ThreadDemo1 inside the class  
    public void run() { // do the work }  
}
```

```
// The Thread.stop() method is deprecated  
// use this way to stop the thread myThread  
if(myThread != null) {  
    Thread dummy = myThread;  
    myThread = null;  
    dummy.interrupt();  
}
```

Concurrency issues and solutions

- Concurrency issues
 - Updating the UI or other components during the execution or after the worker thread have finished
 - Manipulating UI or other components from another thread than the main thread might cause corrupted state (race conditions)
 - Android UI is not thread-safe and must **always** be updated on the UI thread!
- Solutions to access the UI thread in order to update the UI from other threads
 - View.post(Runnable action)
 - View.postDelayed(Runnable action, long delayMillis)
 - Activity.runOnUiThread(Runnable action)
 - Handler – post (as View) and sendMessage
 - **AsyncTask** (this is the recommended solution)

View.post(), View.postDelayed()



- Further info about Android threading and a good read
 - <http://android-developers.blogspot.com/2009/05/painless-threading.html>

```
private ImageView mIVStatus = new ImageView();
@Override
public void onClick(View v) {
    new Thread(new Runnable() {
        public void run() {
            final Bitmap b = loadImageFromNetwork();
            mIVStatus.post(new Runnable() {
                public void run() {
                    mIVStatus.setImageBitmap(b);
                }
            });
        }
    }).start();
}
```

```
// small thread function which can do some work
Thread bkgdThread = new Thread(new Runnable() {
    public void run() {
        doSomeWork();
    }
});
bkgdThread.start();
```


Handler - post()/postDelayed()



A Handler is used to send a **Message** or a **Runnable** object to a particular thread. The thing to remember is that a Handler is associated with the MessageQueue of the single thread which has created it. After creating a Handler, it can be used to post a **Message (next slide)** or **Runnable** to that particular thread (as View.post()).

There are two main uses for a Handler: (1) to schedule messages and runnables to be executed as some point in the future; and (2) to enqueue an action to be performed on a different thread than your own.

```
private TextView mTV; // A timer task that posts Cell ID messages to a textview in the activity
private final Handler mHandler = new Handler();
private final static int TIMER_DELAY = 3000;

private Runnable mUpdateTimeTask = new Runnable() {
    public void run() {
        Log.d(TAG, "Timer fired");
        getCID();
        // Causes the Runnable to be added to the message queue
        // The runnable will be run on the thread to which this handler is attached
        mTV.setText("CID: " + String.valueOf(mCellid) + " LAC: " + String.valueOf(mLac));
        mHandler.postDelayed(this, TIMER_DELAY);
    }
};
@Override
protected void onPause() {
    mHandler.removeCallbacks(mUpdateTimeTask);
    super.onPause();
}
@Override
protected void onResume() {
    super.onResume();
    mHandler.post(mUpdateTimeTask);
}
```

Threads in the same VM interact and synchronize by the use of shared objects and monitors associated with these objects.

Handler - sendMessage()



```
public class MyThreadActivity extends Activity {
    private int mResults;
    private Handler mHandler;

    void startHeavyDutyStuff() { // Called from onCreate()
        mHandler = getHandler();
        // Here is the heavy-duty anonymous class (no name) thread
        Thread t = new Thread() {
            public void run() {
                while (true) {
                    mResults = doSomethingExpensive();
                    //obtain results and send update to the handler associated with main/UI thread
                    mHandler.sendMessage(Message.obtain(mHandler, mResults));
                }
            }
        };
        t.start();
    }

    public Handler getHandler() { return new MyHandler(this); }
    private static class MyHandler extends Handler {
        // Using a weak reference means you won't prevent garbage collection
        private final WeakReference<MainActivity> myClassWeakReference;
        public MyHandler(MainActivity myClassInstance) {
            myClassWeakReference = new WeakReference<MyThreadActivity>(myClassInstance);
        }
        @Override
        public void handleMessage(Message msg) {
            if (myClassWeakReference.get() != null) {
                switch(msg.what) { // mResults == msg.what
                    Case 60:
                        // handle msg and update UI etc.
                        break;
                    default:
                }
                String str = msg.toString(); // toast msg.what and msg.getWhen()
                Toast.makeText(getApplicationContext(), str, Toast.LENGTH_SHORT).show();
            }
        }
    }
}
} // end of class MyThreadActivity
```

```
/* Alternative solution
Message msg =
    mHandler.obtainMessage();
msg.arg1 = mResults;
mHandler.sendMessage(msg);
*/
```

<http://stackoverflow.com/questions/11407943/this-handler-class-should-be-static-or-leaks-might-occur-incominghandler>

static inner class which doesn't hold an implicit reference to the outer class

Timer, TimerTask & runOnUiThread



- A Timer and a TimerTask can schedule one-shot or recurring tasks for execution
- If we do not want to use a handler we can use the function `runOnUiThread(new Runnable() {...`
 - <http://writecodeeasy.blogspot.se/2012/08/androidtutorial-timer-p1.html>

```
private Timer timer = new Timer();
private TimerTask timerTask = null;

timerTask = new TimerTask() {
    @Override
    public void run() {
        Log.d("TIMER", "Timer fired");
        // Causes the Runnable to be added to the message queue
        runOnUiThread(new Runnable() {
            @Override
            public void run() {
                doSomethingWhichCanUpdateTheGUI();
            }
        });
    }
};

timer.schedule(timerTask, 3000); // delay 3 sec, after this run task once
timer.scheduleAtFixedRate(timerTask, 3000, 5000); // delay 3 sec, after this run every 5th sec
timer.cancel(); // Cancels the Timer and all scheduled tasks.
timertask.cancel(); // Cancels the TimerTask and removes it from the Timer's queue.
```

```
// even smaller thread function which can do some work
AsyncTask.execute(new Runnable() {
    @Override
    public void run() {
        // All your networking logic should be here
    }
});
```

Countdown task



- Good to have as a watchdog etc.

```
// Declare and start the count down timer task
private CountdownTimer mUploadMediaCountDownTimerTask;
myCountDownTimerTask();
/* http://developer.android.com/reference/android/os/CountDownTimer.html
Parameters
MillisInFuture - The number of millis in the future from the call to start() until the countdown
is done and onFinish() is called.
CountDownInterval - The interval along the way to receive onTick(Long) callbacks. */
private void myCountDownTimerTask() {
    // 15 minutes with minute updates
    final int millisInFuture = 1000 * 60 * 15;
    final int countDownInterval = 1000 * 60;
    final Activity activity = getActivity();
    // first cancel ongoing task if available
    if(mUploadMediaCountDownTimerTask != null)
        mUploadMediaCountDownTimerTask.cancel();
    mUploadMediaCountDownTimerTask = new CountdownTimer(millisInFuture, countDownInterval)
    {
        public void onTick(long millisUntilFinished) {
            //Log.d(TAG, "seconds remaining until finish: " + millisUntilFinished / 1000);
        }
        public void onFinish() {
            // check if we should do something
            boolean finishWatchDog = startMyUploadMediaTask();

            // start countdown task again if we need to
            If(!finishWatchDog)
                mUploadMediaCountDownTimerTask.start();
        }
    };
    mUploadMediaCountDownTimerTask.start();
}
```

AsyncTask 1



- AsyncTask allows to perform background operations and publish results on the UI thread without having to manipulate threads and/or handlers
- AsyncTask must be subclassed in order to be used!

```
new DownloadFilesTask().execute(urlArr1, intArr2, longArr3); // executes the task
```

```
private class DownloadFilesTask extends AsyncTask<URL, Integer, Long> {  
    protected Long doInBackground(URL... urls) {  
        int count = urls.length;  
        long totalSize = 0;  
        for (int i = 0; i < count; i++) {  
            totalSize += Downloader.downloadFile(urls[i]);  
            publishProgress((int) ((i / (float) count) * 100));  
            // Escape early if cancel() is called  
            if (isCancelled()) break;  
        }  
        return totalSize;  
    }  
}
```

Note the data types!

To mark a type as unused, simply use the type Void

```
protected void onProgressUpdate(Integer... progress) {  
    setProgressPercent(progress[0]);  
}
```

```
protected void onPostExecute(Long result) {  
    showDialog("Downloaded " + result + " bytes");  
}
```

The task can at any time be canceled with `cancel(boolean)`. If calling `isCancelled()` returns true, then `onCancelled()` will be called instead of `onPostExecute()`.

AsyncTask 2



- The three types used by an asynchronous task are the following
 - **Params**, the type of the parameters sent to the task upon execution.
 - **Progress**, the type of the progress units published during the background computation.
 - **Result**, the type of the result of the background computation.
- When an asynchronous task is executed, the task goes through 4 steps
 - **onPreExecute()**, invoked on the **UI thread** before the task is executed. This step is normally used to setup the task.
 - **doInBackground(Params...)**, invoked on the **background thread** immediately after onPreExecute() finishes executing. This step is used to perform background computation that can take a long time.
 - **onProgressUpdate(Progress...)**, invoked on the **UI thread** after a call to publishProgress(Progress...). The timing of the execution is undefined.
 - **onPostExecute(Result)**, invoked on the **UI thread** after the background computation finishes. The result of the background computation is passed to this step as a parameter.
- Canceling an AsyncTask is not easy!
 - <http://vikaskanani.wordpress.com/2011/08/03/android-proper-way-to-cancel-async-task/>

AsyncTask 3



- AsyncTask scheduling varies between Android versions
 - Before 1.6, they run in sequence on a single thread.
 - From 1.6 to 2.3, they run in parallel on a thread pool.
 - Since 3.0, back to the old behaviour by default! They run in sequence
 - No parallelization by default on modern phones!
- Unless you execute them with
 - `executeOnExecutor()` with a `ThreadPoolExecutor`

```
public class ConcurrentAsyncTask {
    public static void execute(AsyncTask as) {
        if (Build.VERSION.SDK_INT < Build.VERSION_CODES.HONEYCOMB) {
            as.execute();
        } else {
            as.executeOnExecutor(AsyncTask.THREAD_POOL_EXECUTOR
                /* AsyncTask.SERIAL_EXECUTOR */);
        }
    }
}
```

Networking 1



- In the Android emulator the IP-address 10.0.2.2 provides access to your development machines localhost address
 - May be useful if your development machine act as a server
- Android allows to access the network via the standard "java.net.*" package. Therefore you can perform network operations via the standard Java Networking API
 - URLConnection, HTTPURLConnection, Socket, DatagramSocket, ...
- java.io provide classes for system I/O
 - InputStream, OutputStream (and many wrapper streams), IOException, ...
- java.nio (New I/O)
 - low-level intense I/O in modern OS:s
 - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_I/O

Networking 2



- Android also contains the "android.net.*" package beyond the java.net and the Apache HttpComponents (org.apache.http.*) classes (deprecated since API-23) which may be easier to use under some situations
 - <http://hc.apache.org/>
- The simplest way to use web content is with a WebView
- For apps using web services use the OKHttp or Volley or libraries instead
- android.bluetooth
 - BluetoothSocket, BluetoothServerSocket, ...
- Permission to set in AndroidManifest.xml

```
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />
```

URL and HTTP Connection



- Some simple networking examples
- Remember that all code must run in a thread!

```
// a connection to a URL for reading or writing
BufferedInputStream in = null;
try {
    URL url = new URL("ftp://ftp://ftp.sunet.se/ls-lR.gz");
    URLConnection urlConnection = url.openConnection();
    in = new BufferedInputStream(urlConnection.getInputStream());
    readStream(in);
} catch (Exception e){
finally {
    // try catch here as well
    in.close();
}
```

```
// Used to send and receive data over the web
// Data may be of any type and length (here: downloading an image from internet
HttpURLConnection http = null;
InputStream istream = null;
try {
    URL text = new URL(urlStr);
    http = (HttpURLConnection) text.openConnection();
    istream = http.getInputStream();
    Bitmap bmImg = BitmapFactory.decodeStream(istream);
    imageView.setImageBitmap(bmImg);
} catch (Exception e){
} finally {
    // try catch here as well
    if(istream != null) istream.close();
    if(http != null) http.disconnect();
}
```

HttpDownload example

```
// Reading from a HttpURLConnection, saving to file
try {
    URL text = new URL(urlStr);
    http = (HttpURLConnection) text.openConnection();
    istream = http.getInputStream();
    byte[] buffer = new byte[1024];
    fos = this.openFileOutput(fileName, Activity.MODE_PRIVATE);
    int readSize = 0;
    while (readSize != -1) {
        readSize = istream.read(buffer);
        if (readSize > 0) {
            fos.write(buffer, 0, readSize);
        }
    }
}
```

URI (Uniform Resource Identifier)
vs. URL (Uniform Resource Locator)
<http://ajaxian.com/archives/uri-vs-url-whats-the-difference>

Networking with AsyncTask 1



- There are a few threading rules that must be followed for the AsyncTask class to work properly, read more here:
- <http://developer.android.com/reference/android/os/AsyncTask.html>

```
// call the AsyncTask with: new mygoogleSearchTask().execute(String[], int[], String[]);

private class mygoogleSearchTask extends AsyncTask<String, Integer, String> {
    protected String doInBackground(String... searchKey) {
        String key = searchKey[0];
        try {
            return SearchRequest(key);
        } catch(Exception e) {
            Log.v("Exception google search", "Exception: " + e.getMessage());
            return "";
        }
    }
    // This method runs on the UI thread, it receives progress updates
    // doInBackground worker method needs to call publishProgress(percent);
    protected void onProgressUpdate(Integer... progress) {
        mViewObjectThatCanDisplay.setProgressPercent(progress[0]);
    }
    // what to do when the doInBackground job is done
    protected void onPostExecute(String result) {
        try {
            mObjectThatCanManage.ProcessResponse(result);
        } catch(Exception e) {
            Log.v("Exception google search", "Exception: " + e.getMessage());
        }
    }
}
```

Networking with AsyncTask 2



- Using HTTP GET to retrieve JSON or XML data from the Google search Representational State Transfer (REST) API

```
// url = http://ajax.googleapis.com/ajax/services/search/web?v=1.0&q=android
// searchString = android
public String SearchRequest(String searchString) throws MalformedURLException, IOException
{
    String newFeed = url + searchString;
    StringBuilder response = new StringBuilder();
    Log.v("gsearch", "gsearch url: " + newFeed);
    URL url = new URL(newFeed);
    HttpURLConnection httpconn = (HttpURLConnection) url.openConnection();
    // Further adjustments of the connection can be made as: httpconn.setXYZ();
    // Ex: httpconn.setRequestMethod("POST"); // POST = params are passed in the body of the request
    // Article: Upload Files from Android to a Website/Http Server using Post
    // http://www.codicode.com/art/upload_files_from_android_to_a_w.aspx
    if(httpconn.getResponseCode() == HttpURLConnection.HTTP_OK)
    {
        BufferedReader input = new BufferedReader(
            new InputStreamReader(httpconn.getInputStream()), 8192);
        String strLine = null;
        while ((strLine = input.readLine()) != null) {
            response.append(strLine);
        }
        input.close();
    }
    return response.toString();
}
```

Remember that the cell phone got a false IP-address and cannot act as a server. The phone must always init the network session! If not using GCM (Google Cloud Messaging) which is a sync protocol

Lab review - Android Lab4



- List with topics you need to understand before next laboration
- You must be able or know how to
 - understand all the previous points from former labs
 - send and receive SMS
 - manage the new permission model in API-23 and above
 - use concurrent programming methods
 - use networking
 - use files (next presentation)
 - use telephony manager (next presentation)