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Android Development

More on API



Phone services

GSM/CDMA data

- To retrieve the cell information the following classes can be used
 - `android.telephony.gsm.GsmCellLocation`
 - `android.telephony.cdma.CdmaCellLocation`
- The inquiry is made with using the `android.telephony.TelephonyManager`
 - `Context.getSystemService(Context.TELEPHONY_SERVICE)`
 - Additional useful information can be retrieved:
 - Status and type of the cellular network
 - Data traffic, name of operator, SIM status, roaming status, ...
 - `getCellLocation()` – cell data
 - `List<NeighboringCellInfo> getNeighboringCellInfo()`

Specific cell data

- Information
 - RSSI, CID, LAC, PSC, NetworkType
 - Received Signal Strength
 - GSM cell ID
 - GSM LAC
 - PSC – The primary scrambling code in the UMTS network
 - NetworkType:
 - GPRS, EDGE, UMTS, HSDPA, HSUPA, HSPA



WiFi and Net

Wifi management

- `android.net.wifi` package
- Most important classes
 - [WifiManager](#)
 - [WifiConfiguration](#)
 - [WifiInfo](#)
- Additional classes
 - [WifiManager.WifiLock](#)
 - [WpsInfo](#)
 - [WifiManager.MulticastLock](#)
 - [WifiP2pManager](#)

WifiManager

- `Context.getSystemService(Context.WIFI_SERVICE)`
- Possibilities
 - Using the class the stored WiFi networks can be retrieved
 - `List<WifiConfiguration> getConfiguredNetworks()`
 - `int addNetwork(WifiConfiguration config)`
 - `int updateNetwork(WifiConfiguration config)`
 - `boolean saveConfiguration()`
 - Available WiFi networks can be scanned
 - `boolean startScan()`
 - `List<ScanResult> getScanResults()`
 - Status
 - `boolean isWifiEnabled()`
 - `boolean setWifiEnabled(boolean enabled)`
 - `int getWifiState()`
 - Connecting
 - `boolean disconnect()`
 - `boolean reconnect()`
 - `boolean reassociate()`
 - `DhcpInfo getDhcpInfo()`

WifiLock

- The WiFi radio can be forced to be powered on while the device is sleeping (and the WiFi might be powered off otherwise)
 - It can not override the user settings or airplane mode, of course
 - Permission required
 - `android.permission.WAKE_LOCK`
 - Functions of the class
 - `acquire()`
 - `release()`
 - `isHeld()`
 - `setReferenceCounted(boolean refCounted)`
 - The `acquire` and `release` calls are counted and the lock is in effect while the number of `acquire` calls is greater than the number of `release` calls.

WifiConfiguration and WifiInfo

- **WifiConfiguration**

- This class represents a configured WiFi network including the security information as well
 - Priority
 - NetworkID
 - SSID, BSSID
 - Keys

- **WifiInfo**

- Represents active and connecting WiFi connections
 - MAC address
 - SSID, BSSID, RSSI
 - Link speed
 - IP address
 - Detailed network information

Managing the networks

- android.net package
 - More specific [ConnectivityManager](#)
 - Using that class the actual connection parameters can be retrieved

ConnectivityManager

- Tasks
 - To monitor the connections
 - GPRS, WiFi, WiMax, UMTS
 - As the circumstances are changing Intents are sent to the receivers
 - A fail-over connection can be utilized
 - In case the WiFi area is not accessible an UMTS connection can be opened
- Most important functions
 - `getActiveNetworkInfo()`, `getAllNetworkInfo()`,
 - `getNetworkPreference()`, ...
- NetworkInfo class
 - `getDetailedState()`, `getType()`, `isAvailable()`, `isConnected()`, `isFailover()`, `isRoaming()`, ...
 - Type
 - Bluetooth, Ethernet, WiFi, WiMax, Mobile_*
- DHCPInfo

Additional classes

- `URI`, and `URI.Builder`
 - The `URI` class is abstract and immutable
 - A `Builder` is capable of creating `URI`-s
 - All parameters can be set from the `Builder`
- `MailTo`
 - [`mailto://`](mailto:) protocol
 - Header, CC, BCC, Subject, To
- Querying the data transmitted/received
 - For different connection types
 - `TrafficStats`
- `LocalSocket`, `LocalServerSocket`, `LocalSocketAddress`
 - UNIX-domain Socket

Accessing network

- Previous API elements augment the traditional Java classes (java.net package)
 - Socket
 - ServerSocket
 - URI, URL, Proxy, ...
- Furthermore javax.net.ssl
 - SSLSocket
 - SSLServerSocket



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Bluetooth

Bluetooth

- android.bluetooth package
- Important classes
 - [BluetoothAdapter](#)
 - [BluetoothDevice](#)
 - [BluetoothSocket](#)
 - [BluetoothServerSocket](#)
- Further classes - profiles
 - [BluetoothClass](#)
 - [BluetoothProfile](#)
 - [BluetoothHeadset](#)
 - [BluetoothA2dp](#)
 - [BluetoothHealth](#)

Bluetooth profiles supported by Android

- Headset
 - Hands-Free Profile (HFP)
 - Headset Profile (HSP)
- Advanced Audio Distribution Profile (A2DP)
- Health Device Profile (HDP)
- Human Interface Device Profile (HID)
- Message Access Profile (MAP)
- Personal Area Networking Profile (PAN)
- Audio/Video Remote Control Profile (AVRCP)
- Generic Attribute (Gatt, HOGP, BTLE): Bluetooth 4.0
- Generic Attribute Server (Gatt Server, BTLE): Bluetooth 4.0

BluetoothAdapter

- To represent a local Bluetooth adapter
 - Required permissions
 - BLUETOOTH
 - BLUETOOTH_ADMIN

```
BluetoothAdapter mBluetoothAdapter = BluetoothAdapter.getDefaultAdapter();  
if (mBluetoothAdapter == null) {  
    // There is no Bluetooth in the phone  
}
```

BluetoothAdapter

- Turning on and off

- enable() and disable() function
- However instead of that functions:

```
if (!mBluetoothAdapter.isEnabled()) {  
    Intent enableBtIntent = new Intent(BluetoothAdapter.ACTION_REQUEST_ENABLE);  
    startActivityForResult(enableBtIntent, REQUEST_ENABLE_BT);  
}
```

- In that case the permission is requested from the user
 - If he/she grants it, the system enables the Bluetooth

- The name of the local device

- getName() and setName(String s)

BluetoothAdapter

- Discovering remote devices
 - `cancelDiscovery()`, `startDiscovery()`, `isDiscovering()`
 - `getScanMode()`
- Following actions are sent about the progress of the process:
 - `ACTION_DISCOVERY_STARTED`
 - `ACTION_DISCOVERY_FINISHED`
 - `ACTION_FOUND`

BluetoothAdapter

- List of paired devices
 - `Set<BluetoothDevice> getBondedDevices()`
- Direct connection using hardware address
 - `BluetoothDevice getRemoteDevice(String address)`
- Checking address
 - `checkBluetoothAddress(String address)`
- Connection
 - `BluetoothServerSocket`
`mBluetoothAdapter.listenUsingRfcommWithServiceRecord(NAME, MY_UUID);`
 - Socket as server

BluetoothDevice

- Represents a remote device
 - Creating a connection
 - Retrieving information
 - `getBondState()`, `getAddress()`,
 - `BluetoothClass` `getBluetoothClass()`
 - Can describe the Bluetooth capabilities
- Connection
 - `BluetoothSocket`
`createRfcommSocketToServiceRecord(UUID uuid)`
 - Creating a `Socket` as a client to connect to another device

Using a Bluetooth Profile

- Required steps
 1. An instance of the default adapter
 2. Proxy to the appropriate profile object `getProfileProxy()`
 3. Setting up a `ServiceListener`
 4. Waiting for the `onServiceConnected()` call, to access the proxy
 5. From this point, the Bluetooth state can be monitored and the incoming information can be processed

Using a Bluetooth Profile

- Example – for a headset

```
BluetoothHeadset mBH;  
BluetoothAdapter mBA = BluetoothAdapter.getDefaultAdapter();  
private BluetoothProfile.ServiceListener mPL= new  
BluetoothProfile.ServiceListener() {  
    public void onServiceConnected(int profile, BluetoothProfile proxy) {  
        if (profile == BluetoothProfile.HEADSET) {  
            mBH = (BluetoothHeadset) proxy;  
        }  
    }  
    public void onServiceDisconnected(int profile) {  
        if (profile == BluetoothProfile.HEADSET) { mBH = null; }  
    }  
};  
mBA.getProfileProxy(context, mPL, BluetoothProfile.HEADSET);  
mBA.closeProfileProxy(mBH);
```



PowerManager BatteryManager

PowerManager

- Using the PowerManager it can be prevented that the device starts to „sleep”
 - You have to have a serious reason to do so, as the battery lifetime is affected
 - To measure continuously
- Following table summarizes the operation modes
 - * denotes cases, when use cannot override the lock

Flag Value	CPU	Screen	Keyboard
PARTIAL_WAKE_LOCK	On*	Off	Off
SCREEN_DIM_WAKE_LOCK	On	Dim	Off
SCREEN_BRIGHT_WAKE_LOCK	On	Bright	Off
FULL_WAKE_LOCK	On	Bright	Bright

PowerManager

- How to use:

```
PowerManager pm =  
    (PowerManager) getSystemService(Context.POWER_SERVICE);  
PowerManager.WakeLock wl = pm.newWakeLock(  
    PowerManager.SCREEN_DIM_WAKE_LOCK, "My Tag");  
wl.acquire();  
// Taks, when the device cannot sleep  
wl.release();
```

- Further possibilities

- Querying the status
- Specifying what should happen when a lock is released

BatteryManager

- Contains constants to describe the battery status
 - The information can be retrieved by receiving broadcast messages
 - Actions:
 - ACTION_BATTERY_CHANGED
 - ACTION_BATTERY_LOW
 - ACTION_BATTERY_OKAY
 - ACTION_POWER_CONNECTED
 - ACTION_POWER_DISCONNECTED
 - States of ACTION_BATTERY_CHANGED

<u>BATTERY_HEALTH_COLD</u>	<u>BATTERY_PROPERTY_CAPACITY</u>
<u>BATTERY_HEALTH_DEAD</u>	<u>BATTERY_PROPERTY_CHARGE_COUNTER</u>
<u>BATTERY_HEALTH_GOOD</u>	<u>BATTERY_PROPERTY_CURRENT_AVERAGE</u>
<u>BATTERY_HEALTH_OVERHEAT</u>	<u>BATTERY_PROPERTY_CURRENT_NOW</u>
<u>BATTERY_HEALTH_OVER_VOLTAGE</u>	<u>BATTERY_PROPERTY_ENERGY_COUNTER</u>
<u>BATTERY_HEALTH_UNKNOWN</u>	<u>BATTERY_STATUS_CHARGING</u>
<u>BATTERY_HEALTH_UNSPECIFIED_FAILURE</u>	<u>BATTERY_STATUS_DISCHARGING</u>
<u>BATTERY_PLUGGED_AC</u>	<u>BATTERY_STATUS_FULL</u>
<u>BATTERY_PLUGGED_USB</u>	<u>BATTERY_STATUS_NOT_CHARGING</u>
<u>BATTERY_PLUGGED_WIRELESS</u>	<u>BATTERY_STATUS_UNKNOWN</u>

Vibration

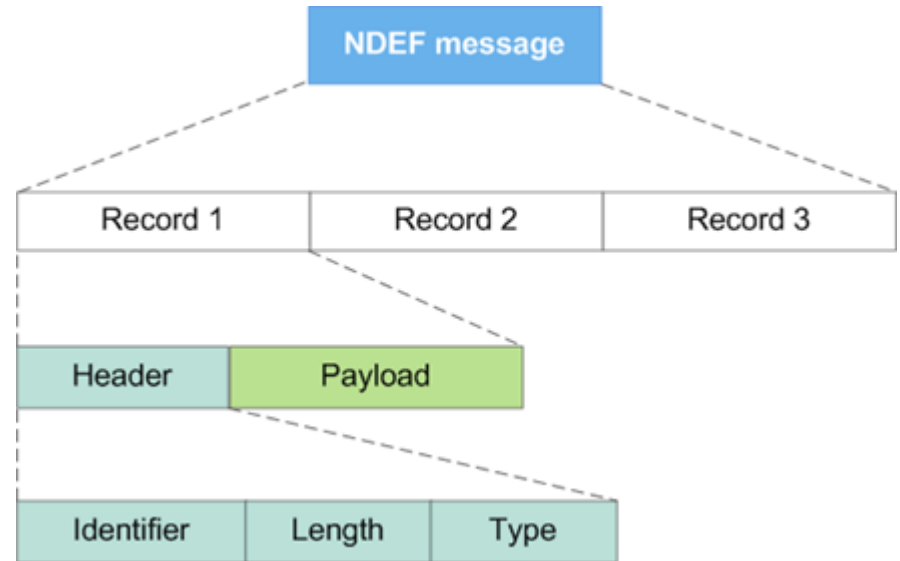
- `android.os.Vibrator` class
- Corresponding function calls
 - `cancel()`
 - `hasVibrator()`
 - `vibrate(long millisec)`
 - `vibrate(long[] pattern, int repeat)`
- As the application process finished all the vibration will be cancelled.



NFC

NFC data structure

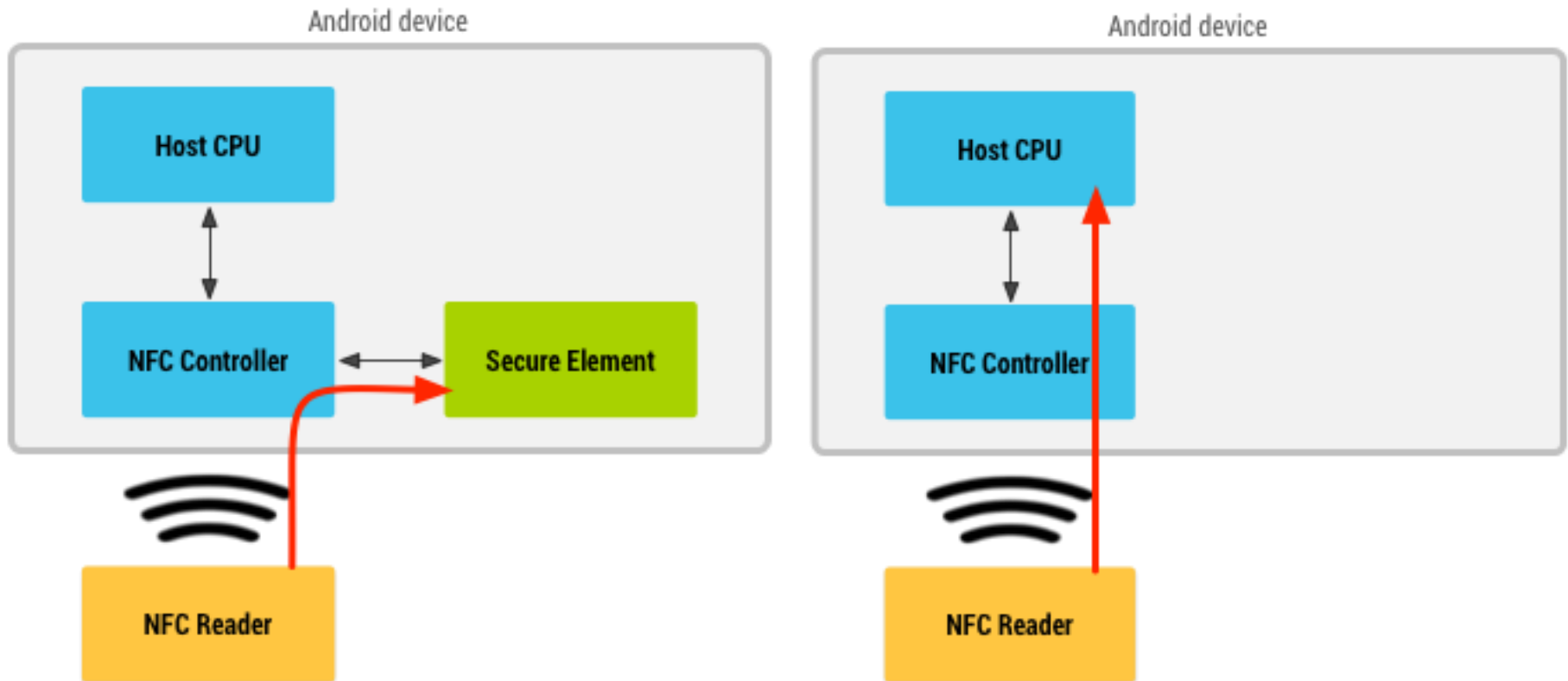
- NDEF message
- ID = TNF (3 bit)
 - URI: 0x0003
 - Empty: 0x0000
 - External: 0x0004
 - MIME: 0x0002
 - Well Known RTD 0x0001
 - Unknown 0x0005
 - Unchanged 0x0006
- RTD
 - URI, TEXT, Smart Poster, ...



NFC and Android

- Three different operation mode
 - Write/read: passive NFC tags
 - P2P: between two Android devices
 - Card emulation: the phone can emulate tags, which can be read by other devices

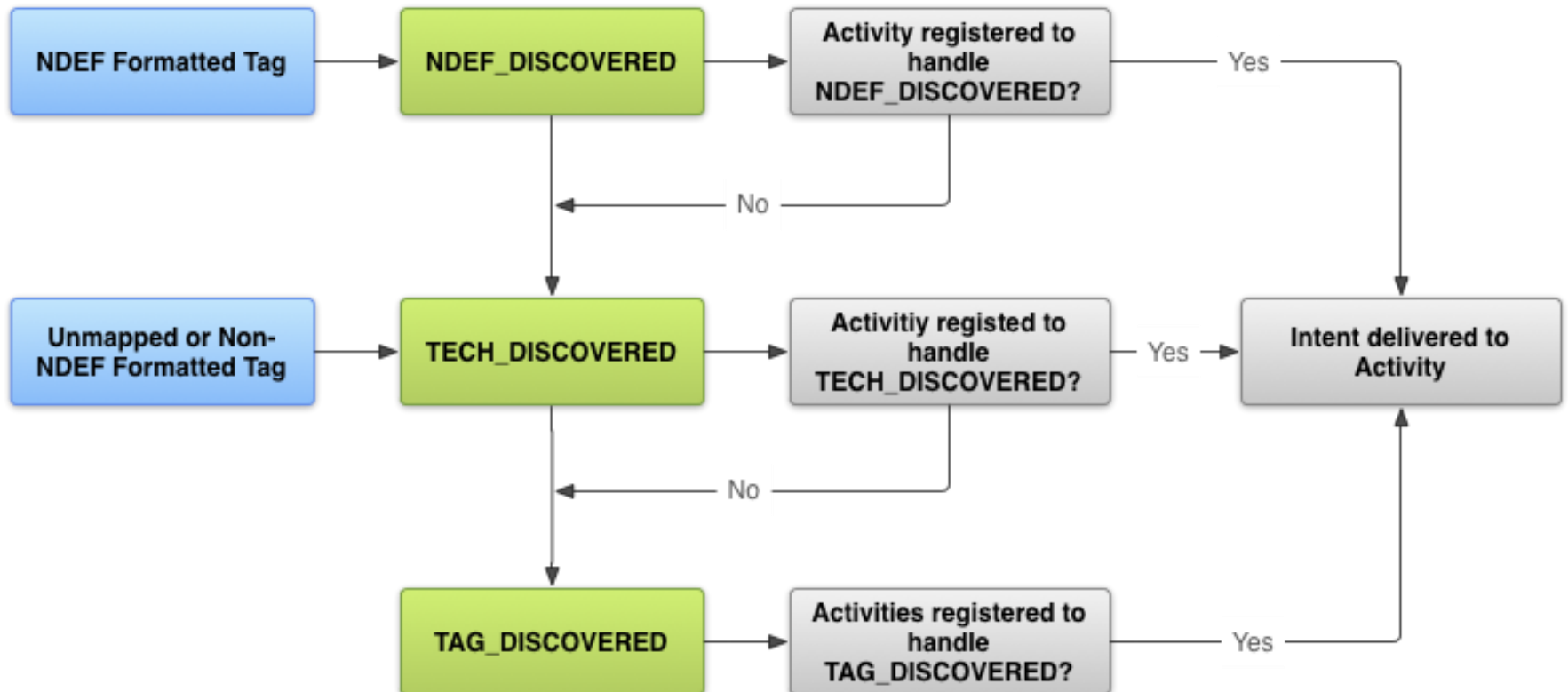
Card Emulation



Reading Tags

- As the range of NFC communication is short and the time while the NFC is in range is also short the corresponding Activity is automatically found by the Android system
 - Reading NFC tag
 - The MIME type is processed
 - The data is put into an Intent
- The most widely the NDEF tags are supported
 - In `NdefMessage` there is one or more `NdefRecord`
- Furthermore it is possible to read other data

Handling Intents



Defining Intent filters

- `<intent-filter>`
 `<action android:name="android.nfc.action.NDEF_DISCOVERED"/>`
 `<category android:name="android.intent.category.DEFAULT"/>`
 `<data android:mimeType="text/plain" />`
 `</intent-filter>`
- `<activity>`
 `...`
 `<intent-filter>`
 `<action android:name="android.nfc.action.TECH_DISCOVERED"/>`
 `</intent-filter>`

 `<meta-data android:name="android.nfc.action.TECH_DISCOVERED"`
 `android:resource="@xml/nfc_tech_filter" />`
 `...`
 `</activity>`

Android Beam

- Peer-to-peer communication between two Android devices
 - The sending application should be in foreground
 - The recipient device should be unlocked
 - AAR: Android Application Record
- Receiving:
 - `<intent-filter>`
 - `<action android:name="android.nfc.action.NDEF_DISCOVERED"/>`
 - `<category android:name="android.intent.category.DEFAULT"/>`
 - `<data android:mimeType="application/vnd.com.example.android.beam"/>`
 - `</intent-filter>`



API Evolution

Lollipop – Project Volta

- JobScheduler

- Performing low priority tasks later, when circumstances are different
 - While charging
 - When Wi-Fi is available
- The task should be put into a JobInfo object
 - Parameters can be set

- Example

```
val uploadTask: JobInfo = JobInfo.Builder(  
    jobId,  
    serviceComponent /* JobService component */  
).run {  
    setRequiredNetworkType(JobInfo.NETWORK_TYPE_UNMETERED)  
    build()  
}  
val jobScheduler =  
    context.getSystemService(Context.JOB_SCHEDULER_SERVICE) as  
    JobScheduler  
jobScheduler.schedule(uploadTask)
```

Lollipop – Usage Log

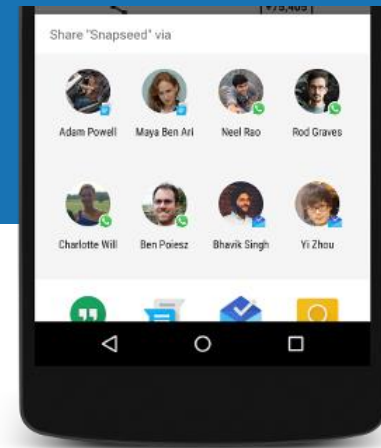
- [android.app.usage](#) API
- Permission required:
`android.permission.PACKAGE_USAGE_STATS`
- The user should enable it as well
- Aggregated data can be accessed (daily, weekly, stb.)
- Data collected
 - When was it used last
 - How much time in foreground
 - Changes of the configuration (pl. screen rotating)

Marshmallow

- Doze and App Standby
 - If a user unplugs a device and leaves it stationary, with its screen off, for a period of time, the device goes into **Doze** mode, where it attempts to keep the system in a sleep state
 - **App Standby** allows the system to determine that an app is idle when the user is not actively using it
- Fingerprint Authentication
- App Linking
 - This feature allows to associate an app with a web domain
- Auto Backup for Apps
 - Automatic full data backup and restore for apps

Marshmallow

- Direct Share
 - API to make sharing intuitive and quick for users
- Voice Interactions
 - New voice interaction API which, together with Voice Actions
- Confirm Credential
 - To authenticate users based on how recently they last unlocked their device
- Adoptable Storage Devices
 - Users can adopt external storage devices such as SD cards
 - Adopting an external storage device encrypts and formats the device to behave like internal storage
- Notifications
 - Some improvements

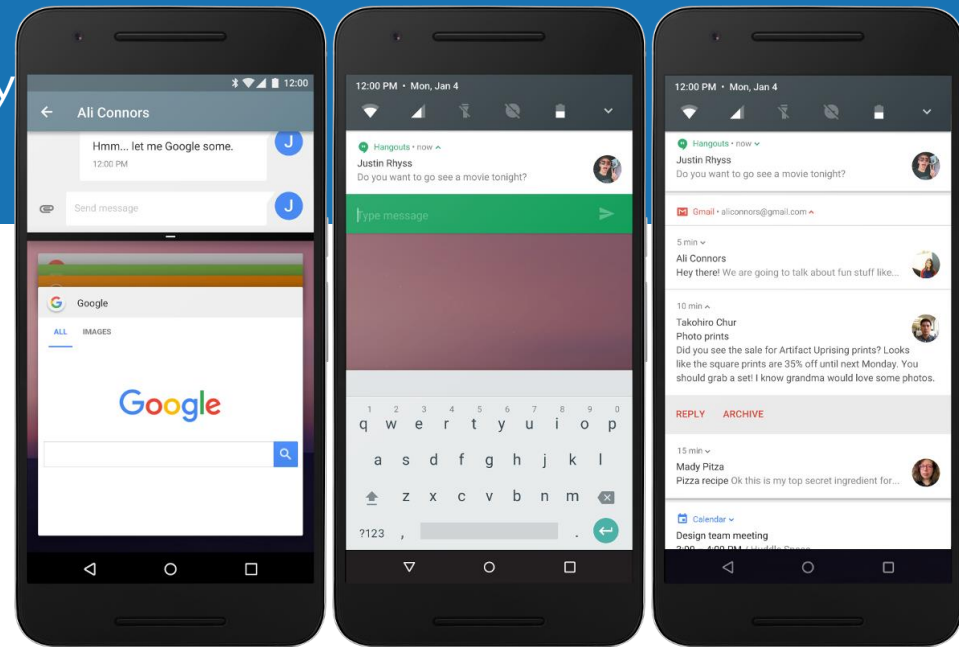


Marshmallow

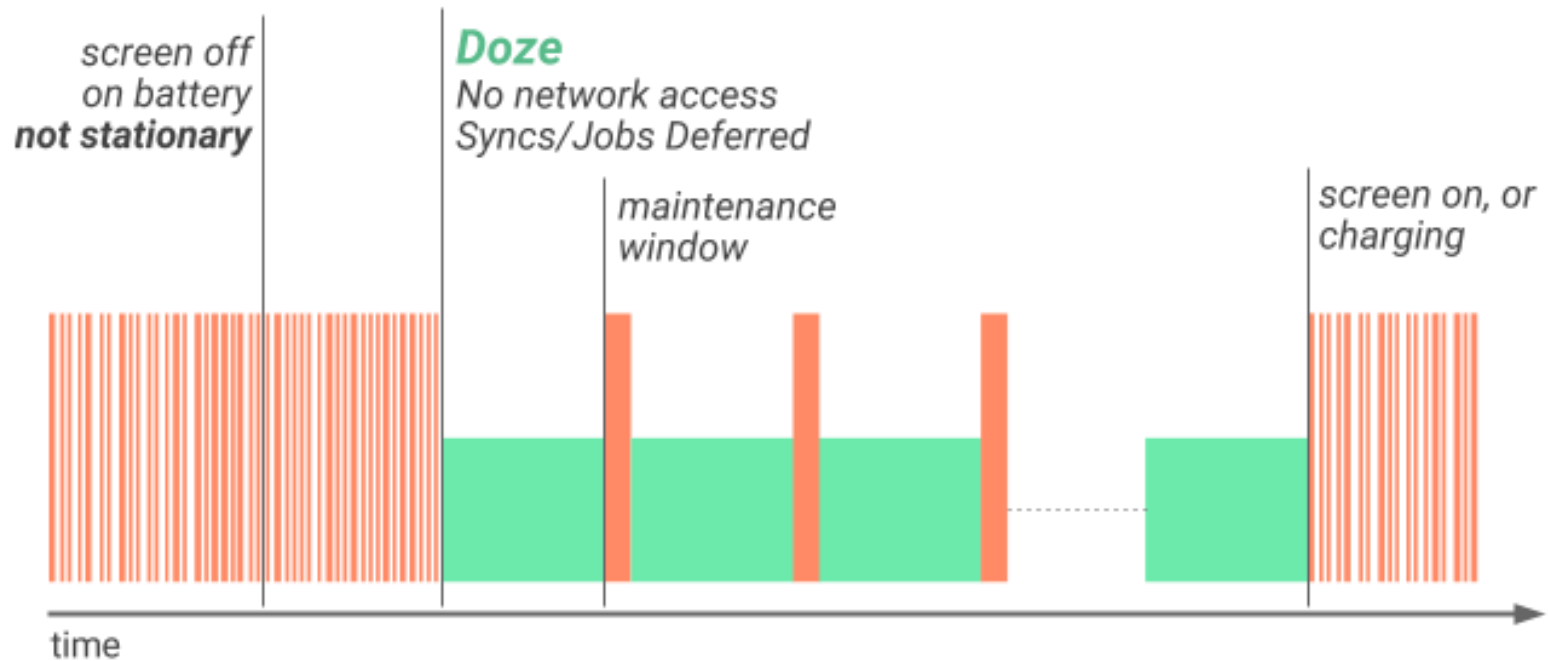
- Bluetooth Stylus Support
- Improved Bluetooth Low Energy Scanning
- Hotspot 2.0
- 4K Display Mode
 - Allows apps to request that the display resolution be upgraded to 4K rendering on compatible hardware
- Audio Features
 - Support for the [MIDI](#) protocol
- Video Features
 - Adds new capabilities to the video processing APIs
- Camera Features
 - Flashlight API
 - Reprocessing API

Nougat

- Multi-window Support
- Notification Enhancements
 - Template updates
 - Messaging style customization
 - Bundled notifications
 - Direct reply
 - Custom views
- Profile-guided JIT/AOT Compilation
 - Just in Time (JIT) compiler with code profiling to ART
 - Lets it constantly improve the performance of Android apps as they run
- Doze on the Go...
 - a step further and saves battery while on the go



Doze



Nougat

- Project Svelte: Background Optimization
 - To minimize RAM use by system and apps across the range of Android devices in the ecosystem
- SurfaceView
 - Provides better battery performance than TextureView
- Data Saver
 - Helps reduce cellular data use by apps, whether roaming, near the end of the billing cycle, or on a small prepaid data pack
- Vulkan API
 - New 3D rendering API
 - Vulkan development tools and libraries are rolled into the Android 7.0DK. They include:
 - Headers
 - Validation layers (debug libraries)
 - SPIR-V shader compiler
 - SPIR-V runtime shader compilation library

Nougat

- Quick Settings Tile API
- Number Blocking
 - Android provides a consistent way for apps to support number blocking across a wide range of devices
 - Among the other benefits that apps can take advantage of are:
 - Numbers blocked on calls are also blocked on texts
 - Blocked numbers can persist across resets and devices through the Backup & Restore feature
 - Multiple apps can use the same blocked numbers list
- Call Screening
 - A number of actions based on an incoming call's Call.Details
 - Reject the incoming call
 - Do not allow the call to the call log
 - Do not show the user a notification for the call
- Multi-locale Support, More Languages
- New Emojis

Nougat

- WebView
 - Chrome + WebView, Together
 - Multiprocess
 - Javascript run before page load
 - Geolocation on insecure origins
- OpenGL ES 3.2 API
- Android TV Recording
- Accessibility Enhancements
- Direct Boot
 - Improves device startup times and lets registered apps have limited functionality even after an unexpected reboot
 - If an encrypted device reboots while the user is sleeping, registered alarms, messages and incoming calls can now continue to notify the user as normal
- APK Signature Scheme v2

Nougat

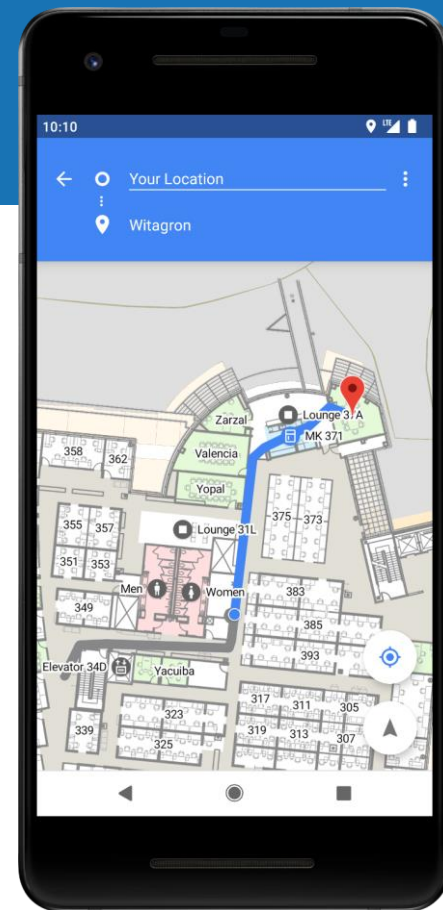
- VR Support
 - platform support and optimizations for a new VR Mode
 - a number of performance enhancements, including access to an exclusive CPU core for VR apps
- Print Service Enhancement
- Frame Metrics API
 - to monitor its UI rendering performance
- Virtual Files
- Sustained Performance API
 - To enable OEMs to provide hints about device-performance capabilities for long-running apps
- Custom Pointer API
- Keyboard Shortcuts Helper

Oreo

- New functions
 - Notification Channels
 - to provide a unified system to help users manage notifications
 - Picture in picture
 - PIP is a special type of multi-window mode mostly used for video playback
 - Autofill
 - Android O makes filling forms, such as account and credit card forms, easier with the introduction of the Autofill Framework
 - Adaptive icons
 - adaptive launcher icons, which can display a variety of shapes across different device models
- Several API Changes

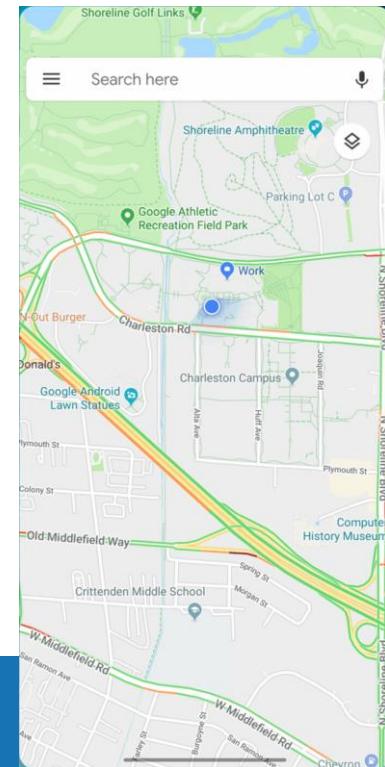
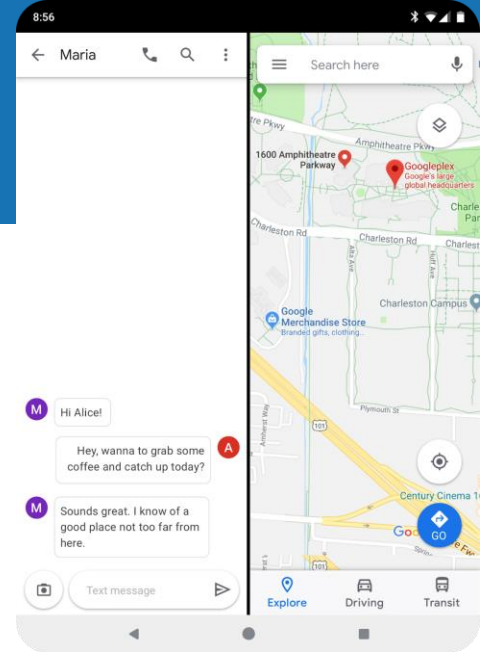
Pie

- New features
 - Indoor positioning with Wi-Fi RTT
 - Display cutout support
 - Enhancement of notifications
 - Multi-camera support
 - HDR VP9 Video, HEIF image compression
 - Data cost sensitivity in JobScheduler
 - Neural Networks API 1.1
 - Security enhancements



Q– Android 10

- New functions
 - Foldables
 - Robus multi-window support.
 - 5G networks
 - Platform support for 5G
 - Smart Reply in notifications
 - Dark Theme
 - Gesture navigation
 - Sharing shortcuts



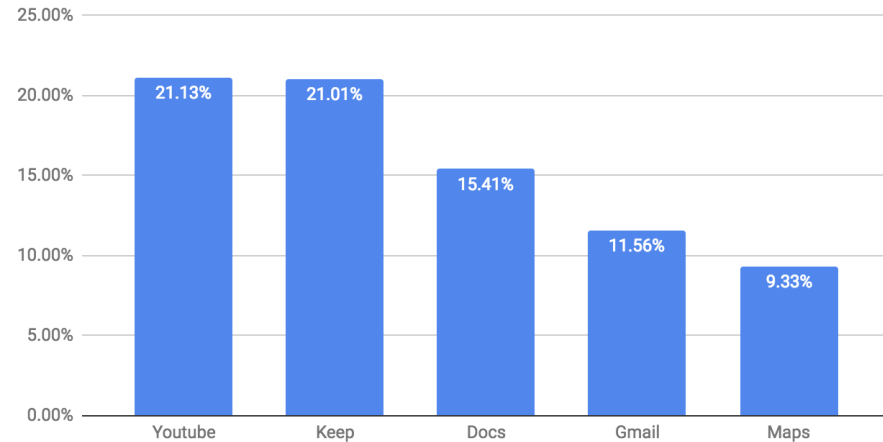
Q– Android 10

- New functions
 - Security improvements
 - Storage encryption
 - TLS 1.3 by default
 - Platform hardening
 - Improved Biometrics
 - Camera and media
 - Dynamic depth for photos
 - Directional, zoomable microphones
 - ...

Q – Android 10

- Android foundations
 - ART optimizations
 - Neural Networks API 1.2
 - Thermal API
 - CPU, GPU thermal queries

Startup time improvements - Profiles in Play





Homework

- Second checkpoint!
 - Deadline – next week! (05/06)
 - I'll assess your progress and provide feedback.



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Google Play

Next week