

# Upcoming Assignments

- Readings: Chapter 5 by today
- Horizontal Prototype due Friday, January 22
  - Be prepared to demo them in class
- Lab Quiz Monday during lecture time (2:10-3pm)
  - Have a development environment in 256 or 255
  - Be familiar with the application lifecycle and Toast
- Lab 2 due today, survey
- Lab 3 due Wednesday, January 27

# How-to's

- Write your gmail account on form
- I will add you as a collaborator
- Create a new post
  - Demo
    - Create page
    - Add item to How-to list

# Google I/O

- Consider attending Google I/O in San Francisco May 19-20
- \$100 for academic registration
- Academic registrations are limited
- Android tracks
- Last year gave away MyTouch Androids
  - Don't count on anything this year

# Intents

- Allows communication between loosely-connected components
- Allows for late run-time binding of components
- Explicit

```
Intent myIntent = new Intent(AdventDevos.this, Devo.class);  
myIntent.putExtra("ButtonNum", ""+index);  
startActivity(myIntent);  
//finish(); //removes this Activity from the stack
```

- Implicit

```
Intent i = new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW,  
    Uri.parse("http://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search="+  
    passage+"&version=NIV"));  
startActivity(i);
```

# Other Native Android Actions

- ACTION\_ANSWER – handle incoming call
- ACTION\_DIAL – bring up dialer with phone #
- ACTION\_PICK – pick item (e.g. from contacts)
- ACTION\_INSERT – add item (e.g. to contacts)
- ACTION\_SENDTO – send message to contact
- ACTION\_WEB\_SEARCH – search web

# Sub-Activities

- Activities are independent
- However, sometimes we want to start an activity that gives us something back (e.g. select a contact and return the result)
- Use  
`startActivityForResult(Intent i, int id)`  
instead of  
`startActivity(Intent)`

# Capturing Intent Return Results

```
class ParentActivity extends Activity {
    private static final int SUB_CODE = 34;
    ...
    Intent intent = new Intent(...);
    startActivityForResult(intent, SUB_CODE);
    ...
    @Override
    public void onActivityResult(int requestCode, int resultCode, Intent data) {
        super.onActivityResult(requestCode, resultCode, data);
        if (requestCode == SUB_CODE)
            if (resultCode == Activity.RESULT_OK) {
                Uri returnedUri = data.getData();
                String returnedString = data.getStringExtra(SOME_CONSTANT, "");
                ...
            }
            if (resultCode == Activity.RESULT_CANCELED) { ... }
        }
    }
};
```

# Capturing Intent Return Results

```
class SubActivity extends Activity {  
    ...  
    if (/* everything went fine */) {  
        Uri data = Uri.parse("content://someuri");  
        Intent result = new Intent(null,data);  
        result.putStringExtra(SOME_CONSTANT, "This is some data");  
        setResult(RESULT_OK, result);  
        finish();  
    }  
    ...  
    if (/* everything did not go fine or the user did not complete the action */) {  
        setResult(RESULT_CANCELED, null);  
        finish();  
    }  
    ...  
};
```



# Using a Native App Action

```
public class MyActivity extends Activity {
    //from http://developer.android.com/reference/android/app/Activity.html
    ...
    static final int PICK_CONTACT_REQUEST = 0;
    protected boolean onKeyDown(int keyCode, KeyEvent event) {
        if (keyCode == KeyEvent.KEYCODE_DPAD_CENTER) {
            // When the user center presses, let them pick a contact.
            startActivityForResult(
                new Intent(Intent.ACTION_PICK, new Uri("content://contacts")),
                PICK_CONTACT_REQUEST);

            return true;
        }
        return false;
    }
    protected void onActivityResult(int requestCode, int resultCode, Intent data) {
        if (requestCode == PICK_CONTACT_REQUEST) {
            if (resultCode == RESULT_OK) {
                // A contact was picked. Here we will just display it to the user.
                startActivity(new Intent(Intent.ACTION_VIEW, data));
            }
        }
    }
}
```

# Broadcasts and Broadcast Receivers

- So far we have used Intents to start Activities
- Intents can also be used to send messages anonymously between components
- Messages are sent with **sendBroadcast()**
- Messages are received by extending the **BroadcastReceiver** class

# Sending a Broadcast

```
//...  
public static final String MAP_ADDED =  
    "com.simexusa.cm.MAP_ADDED";  
//...  
Intent intent = new Intent(MAP_ADDED);  
intent.putStringExtra("mapname", "Cal Poly");  
sendBroadcast(intent);  
//...
```

Typically like a package name to keep it unique

# Receiving a Broadcast

```
public class MapBroadcastReceiver extends BroadcastReceiver {  
  
    @Override  
    public void onReceive(Context context, Intent intent) {  
        Uri data = intent.getData();  
        String name = data.getStringExtra("mapname");  
        //do something  
        context.startActivity(...);  
    }  
};
```

Must complete in <5 seconds

- Broadcast Receivers are started automatically – you don't have to try to keep an Activity running

# Registering a BroadcastReceiver

- Statically in ApplicationManifest.xml

```
<receiver android:name=".MapBroadcastReceiver">  
  <intent-filter>  
    <action android:name="com.simexusa.cm.MAP_ADDED">  
  </intent-filter>  
</receiver>
```

or dynamically in code (e.g. if only needed while visible)

```
IntentFilter filter = new IntentFilter(MAP_ADDED);  
MapBroadcastReceiver mbr = new MapBroadcastReceiver();  
registerReceiver(mbr, filter);  
...  
unregisterReceiver(mbr);
```

in onRestart() ?

in onPause() ?

# Native Broadcasts

- ACTION\_CAMERA\_BUTTON
- ACTION\_TIMEZONE\_CHANGED
- ACTION\_BOOT\_COMPLETED
  - requires RECEIVE\_BOOT\_COMPLETED permission

# Intent Filters

- Intent filters register application components with Android
- Intent filter tags:
  - action – unique identifier of action being serviced
  - category – circumstances when action should be serviced (e.g. ALTERNATIVE, DEFAULT, LAUNCHER)
  - data – type of data that intent can handle
    - Ex. URI = content://com.example.project:200/folder/subfolder/etc
- Components that can handle implicit intents (one's that are not explicitly called by name), must declare category DEFAULT or LAUNCHER

```
<activity android:name="NotesList" android:label="@string/title_notes_list">
  <intent-filter>
    <action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN" />
    <category android:name="android.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
  </intent-filter>
  <intent-filter>
    <action android:name="android.intent.action.VIEW" />
    <action android:name="android.intent.action.EDIT" />
    <action android:name="android.intent.action.PICK" />
    <category android:name="android.intent.category.DEFAULT" />
    <data android:mimeType="vnd.android.cursor.dir/vnd.google.note" />
  </intent-filter>
  <intent-filter>
    <action android:name="android.intent.action.GET_CONTENT" />
    <category android:name="android.intent.category.DEFAULT" />
    <data android:mimeType="vnd.android.cursor.item/vnd.google.note" />
  </intent-filter>
</activity>
```

```
<activity android:name="NoteEditor"
  android:theme="@android:style/Theme.Light"
  android:label="@string/title_note" >
  <intent-filter android:label="@string/resolve_edit">
    <action android:name="android.intent.action.VIEW" />
    <action android:name="android.intent.action.EDIT" />
    <action android:name="com.android.notepad.action.EDIT_NOTE" />
    <category android:name="android.intent.category.DEFAULT" />
```



# Intent Resolution

- See p. 123 in text