



# Basic UI elements: Android Buttons (Basics)

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# Let's work with the listener

```
Button button = ...;
    button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
        public void onClick(View v) {
            Log.d("TRACE", "Button has been clicked ");
        }
    );
```

Anonymous  
Inner Class

In Swing it was  
JButton button=...

```
button.addActionListener (new ActionListener() {
    public void actionPerformed(ActionEvent e) {
        ...
    }
});
```

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```
public class
Button
extends TextView

java.lang.Object
↳ android.view.View
↳ ↳ android.widget.TextView
↳ ↳ ↳ android.widget.Button
```

► Known Direct Subclasses  
CompoundButton

► Known Indirect Subclasses  
CheckBox, RadioButton, Switch, ToggleButton

In JavaFX it was  
Button btn=...  
btn.addEventHandler(new EventHandler() {
 public void handle(Event t) {
 ...
 }
});

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The event target  
is passed

MAIN DIFFERENCE

In Swing (and in JavaFX):

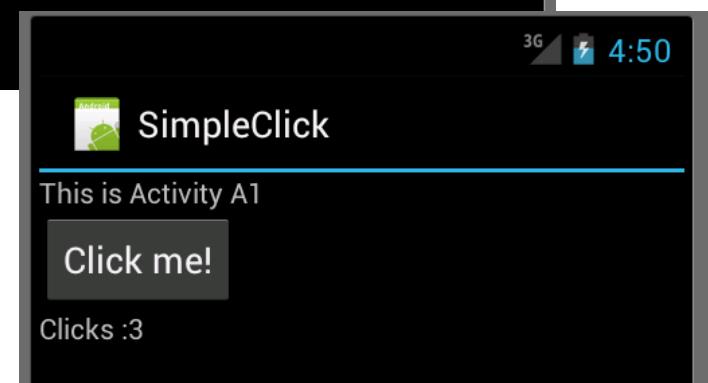
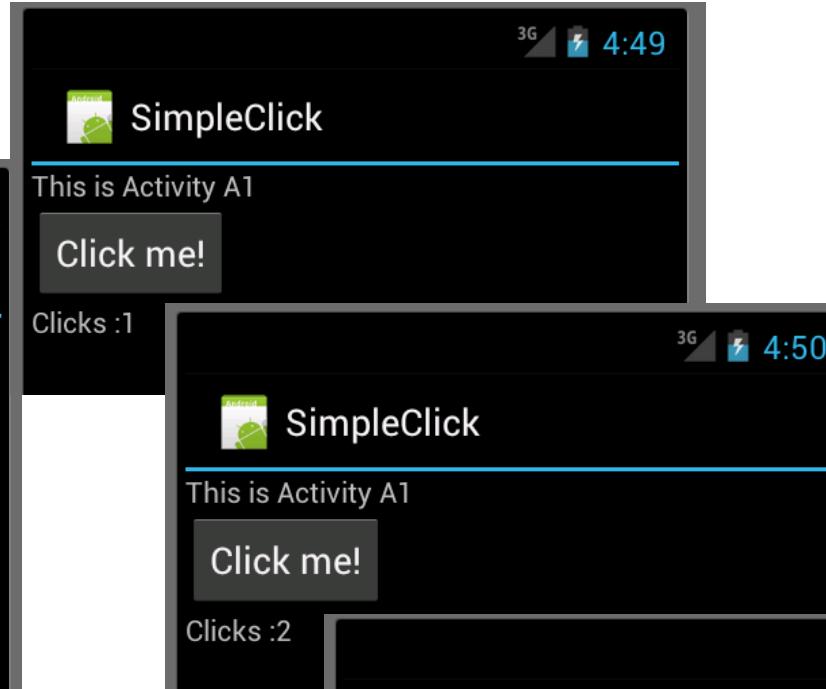
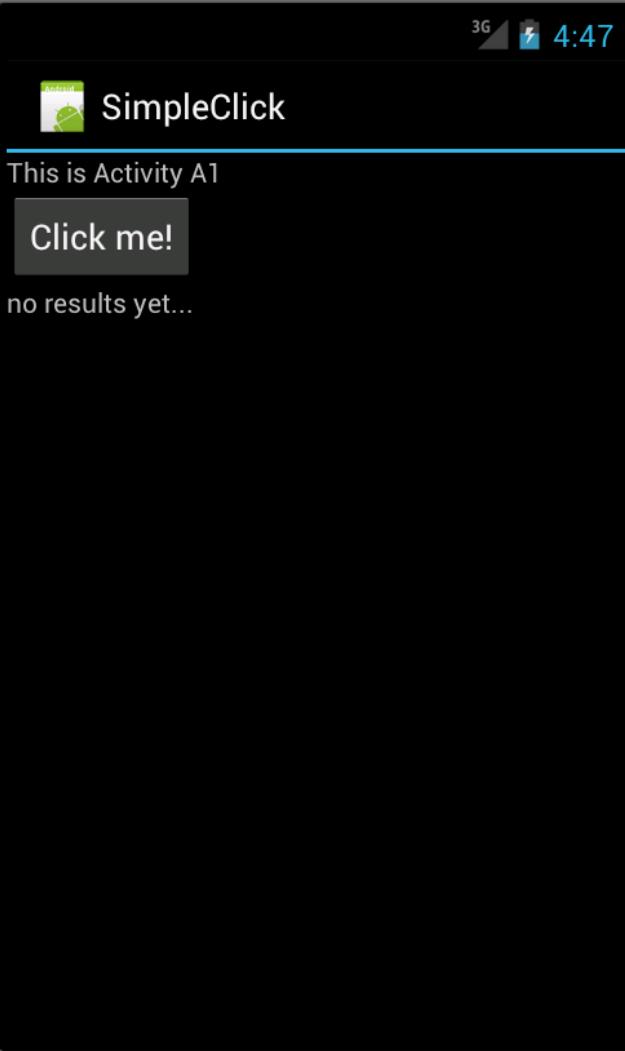
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        ...;  
    }  
});
```

The event  
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# SimpleClick



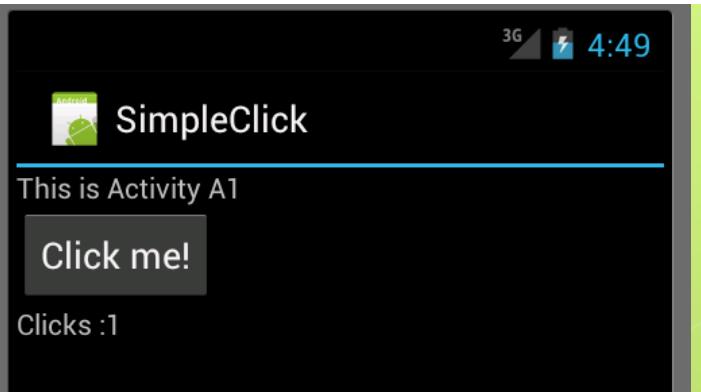
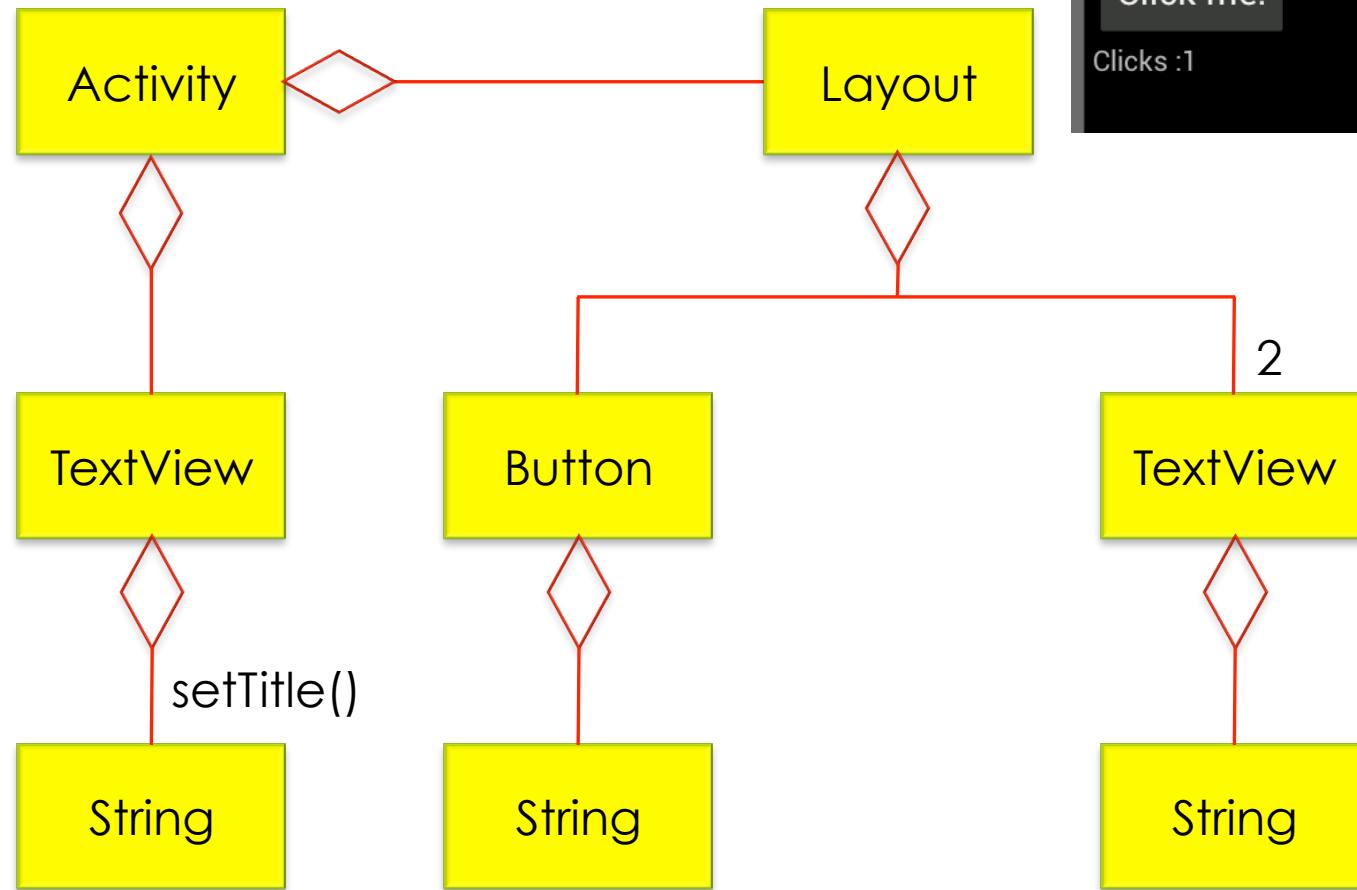
# Let's recap how to build an app

- 1) Define the Activity Resources
  - 1) Choose a Layout
  - 2) Add the components via XML
  - 3) Define the strings
- 2) Code the activity
- 3) Add info to the Manifest (if needed)

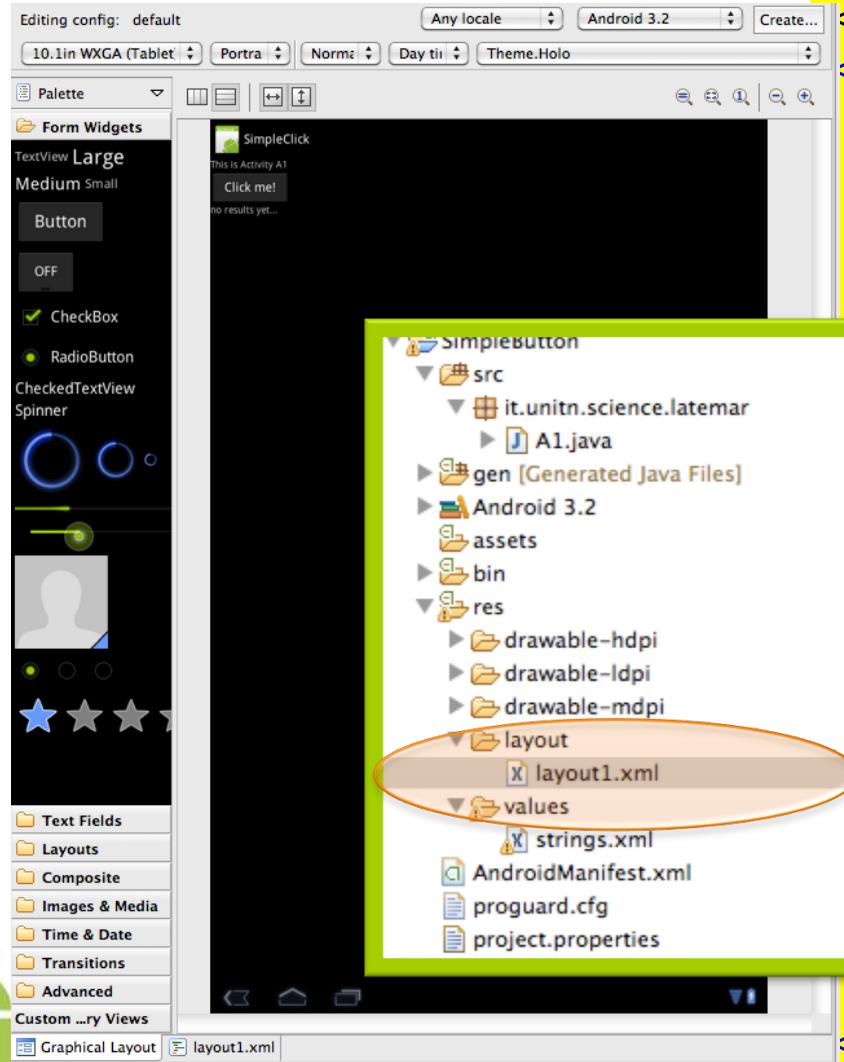
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# UML Diagram



# Let's define the aspect of layout1



```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android=
    "http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"
    android:layout_height="fill_parent"
    android:orientation="vertical" >
    <TextView
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="@string/hello" />
    <Button
        android:id="@+id/button1"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="@string/button1_label" />
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/tf1"
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="@string/output" />
</LinearLayout>
```

# Let's define the strings

Android Resources (default)

Resources Elements

Attributes for output (String)

**Strings**, with optional simple formatting, can be stored and retrieved as resources. You can add formatting to your string by using three standard HTML tags: b, i, and u. If you use an apostrophe or a quote in your string, you must either escape it or enclose the whole string in either kind of enclosing quotes.

Name\*

Value\*

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<resources>

    <string name="hello">This is Activity A1</string>
    <string name="app_name">SimpleClick</string>
    <string name="button1_label">Click me!</string>
    <string name="output">no results yet...</string>

</resources>
```

Resources

SimpleButton

src  
it.unitn.science.latemar  
A1.java

gen [Generated Java Files]

Android 3.2

assets

bin

res  
drawable-hdpi  
drawable-ldpi  
drawable-mdpi  
layout  
layout1.xml

values  
strings.xml

AndroidManifest.xml  
proguard.cfg

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SimpleClick

This is Activity A1

Click me!

no results yet...

# SimpleClick – A1

```
package it.unitn.science.latemar;

import android.app.Activity;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.view.View;
import android.widget.Button;
import android.widget.TextView;

public class A1 extends Activity {
    int nClicks=0;
    protected void onCreate(Bundle b) {
        super.onCreate(b);

        setContentView(R.layout.layout1);

        final Button button = (Button) findViewById(R.id.button1);

        final TextView tf = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.tf1);

        button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
            public void onClick(View v) {
                tf.setText("Clicks :" +(++nClicks));
            }
        );
    }
}
```



# An alternative

The various View classes expose **several public callback methods** that are useful for UI events.

These methods are called by the Android framework when the respective action occurs on that object. For instance, when a View (such as a Button) is touched, the **onTouchEvent()** method is called on that object.

However, in order to intercept this, **you must extend the class and override the method.**



# Extending Button to deal with events

```
Class MyButton extends Button {  
    public boolean onTouchEvent(MotionEvent event) {  
        int eventaction = event.getAction();  
        switch (eventaction) {  
            case MotionEvent.ACTION_DOWN: // finger touches the screen  
                ...;  
                break;  
  
            case MotionEvent.ACTION_MOVE: // finger moves on the screen  
                ...;  
                break;  
  
            case MotionEvent.ACTION_UP: // finger leaves the screen  
                ...;  
                break;  
        }  
        // tell the system that we handled the event and no further processing is needed  
        return true;  
    }  
}
```





# Calling Activities: Explicit Intents

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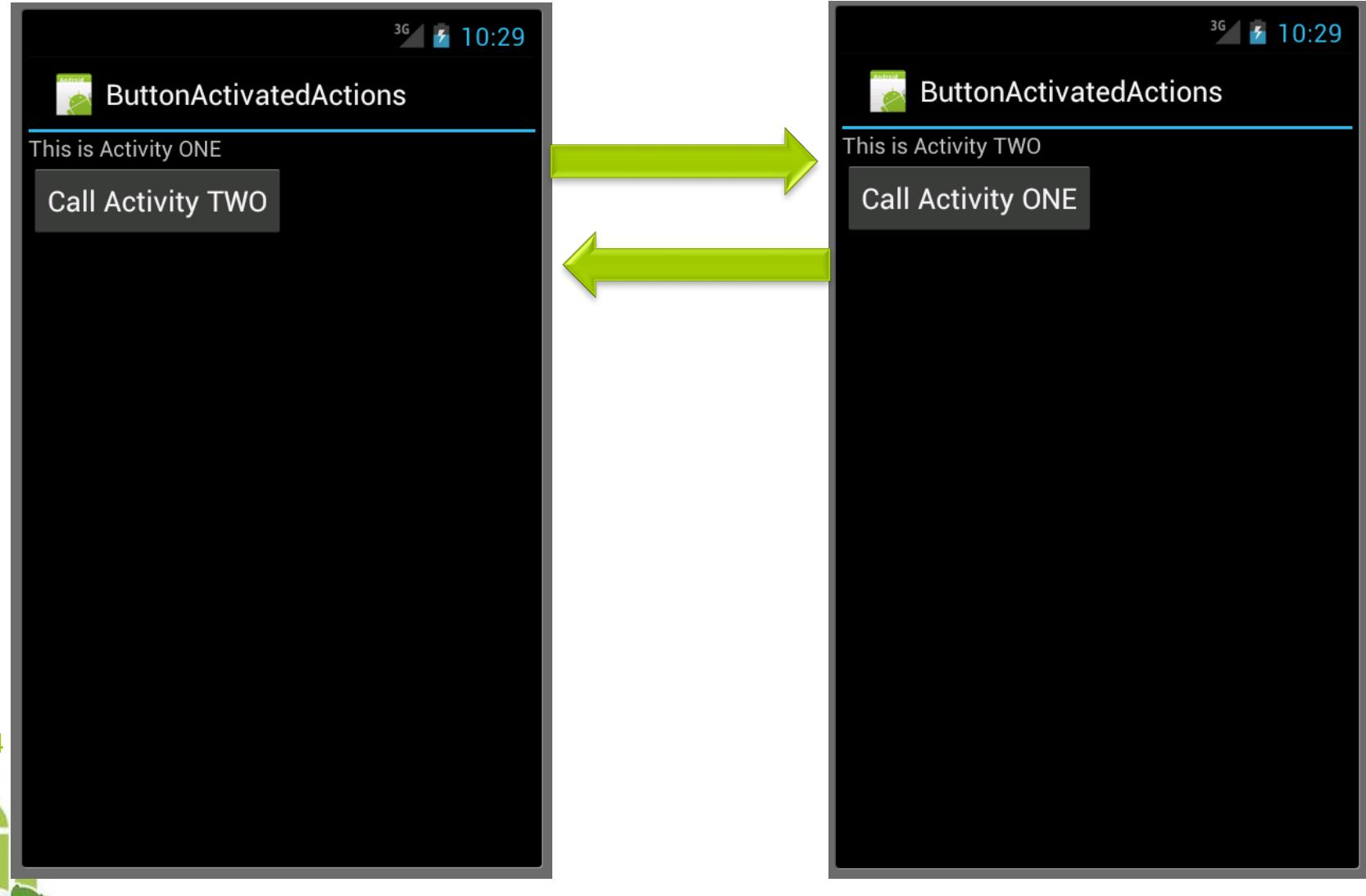
# startActivity(Intent x)

startActivity(Intent x) (method of class Activity)

- starts a **new activity**, which will be placed at the **top** of the activity stack.
- takes a single argument which describes the activity to be executed.
- An **intent** is an **abstract description** of an operation to be performed.



# A simple example: A1 calls A2



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# Explicit Intents

We will use the basic mode:

“Explicit starting an activity”

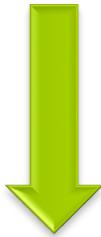
**Explicit Intents** specify the exact class to be run.

Often these will not include any other information, simply being a way for an application to launch various internal activities it has as the user interacts with the application.



# Intent

The context of the sender



The class to be activated



```
new Intent(Context c, Class c);
```

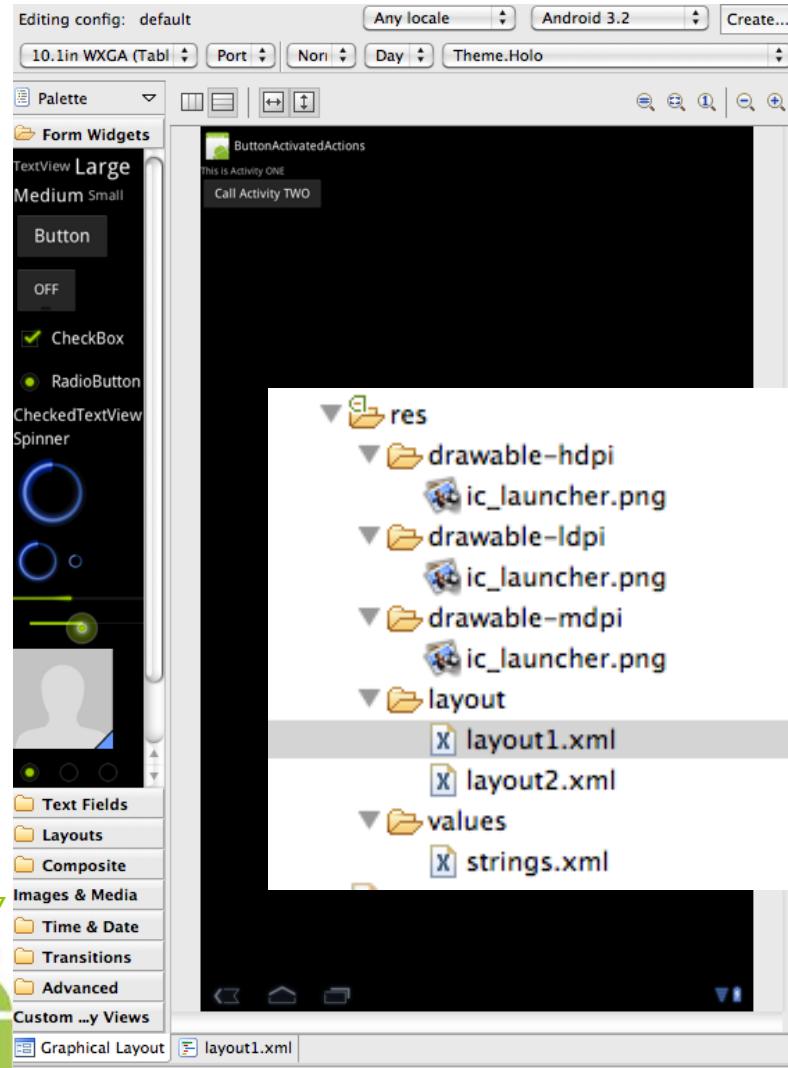
Remember that a Context is a wrapper for global information about an application environment, and that Activity subclasses Context

Equivalent form:

```
Intent i=new Intent();
i.setClass(Context c1, Class c2);
```



# Let's define the aspect of layout1



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```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android=
"http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"
    android:layout_height="fill_parent"
    android:orientation="vertical" >

    <TextView
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="@string/activity1HelloString" />

    <Button
        android:id="@+id/button1"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="@string/button1Label" />

</LinearLayout>
```

# Let's define the strings

The screenshot shows the Android Studio interface. On the left, there's a navigation bar with tabs for A2.java, \*A1.java, layout1.xml, strings.xml, and a selected tab labeled '5'. Below this is the 'Android Resources (default)' editor. It has a sidebar with icons for String, Color, Dimension, Style, Layout, and Array. The main area shows a list of resources: activity2HelloString, app\_name (String), activity1HelloString, button1Label (String), and button2Label (String). The 'button2Label' item is selected, with its details shown in a right-hand panel: Name is 'button2Label' and Value is 'Call Activity ONE'. Below this panel is a large yellow box containing the XML code for the strings resource file. On the right side of the screen, the project structure is visible, showing the res, layout, values, and AndroidManifest.xml files.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<resources>

    <string name="activity2HelloString">This is Activity TWO</string>
    <string name="app_name">ButtonActivatedActions</string>
    <string name="activity1HelloString">This is Activity ONE</string>
    <string name="button1Label">Call Activity TWO</string>
    <string name="button2Label">Call Activity ONE</string>

</resources>
```

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# A1 and A2

```
package it.unitn.science.latemar;

import android.app.Activity;
import android.content.Intent;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.view.View;
import android.widget.Button;

public class A1 extends Activity {
    protected void onCreate(Bundle icicle) {
        super.onCreate(icicle);

        setContentView(R.layout.layout1);
        final Button button = (Button) findViewById(
            R.id.button1);
        button.setOnClickListener(
            new View.OnClickListener() {
                public void onClick(View v) {
                    Intent intent = new Intent(A1.this, A2.class);
                    startActivity(intent);
                }
            });
    }
}
```

Anonymous  
Inner Class

```
package it.unitn.science.latemar;

import android.app.Activity;
import android.content.Intent;
import android.os.Bundle;
import android.view.View;
import android.widget.Button;

public class A2 extends Activity {
    protected void onCreate(Bundle icicle) {
        super.onCreate(icicle);

        setContentView(R.layout.layout2);
        final Button button = (Button) findViewById(
            R.id.button2);
        button.setOnClickListener(
            new View.OnClickListener() {
                public void onClick(View v) {
                    Intent intent = new Intent(A2.this, A1.class);
                    startActivity(intent);
                }
            });
    }
}
```



# A1.this ? What's that?

```
final Intent intent = new Intent(this, A2.class);
button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
    public void onClick(View v) {
        startActivity(intent);
    }
});
```

```
final Activity me=this;
button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
    public void onClick(View v) {
        Intent intent = new Intent(me, A2.class);
        startActivity(intent);
    }
});
```

```
button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {
    public void onClick(View v) {
        Intent intent = new Intent(A1.this, A2.class);
        startActivity(intent);
    }
});
```

3 different ways  
to do the same thing



# Let's declare A2 in the manifest

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    package="it.unitn.science.latemar"
    android:versionCode="1"
    android:versionName="1.0" >

    <uses-sdk android:minSdkVersion="13" />

    <application
        android:icon="@drawable/ic_launcher"
        android:label="@string/app_name" >
        <activity
            android:name="A1"
            android:label="@string/app_name" >
            <intent-filter>
                <action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN" />
                <category android:name="android.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
            </intent-filter>
        </activity>
        <activity android:name="A2"></activity>
    </application>
</manifest>
```

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# How many instances?

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# How many instances?



```
public class A1 extends Activity {  
    static int instances = 0;  
    TextView tf = null;  
    protected void onCreate(Bundle icicle) {  
        super.onCreate(icicle);  
        instances++;  
        setContentView(R.layout.layout1);  
        tf = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.instanceCount);  
        final Button button = (Button) findViewById(R.id.button1);  
        final Intent intent = new Intent(this, A2.class);  
        button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {  
            public void onClick(View v) {  
                startActivity(intent);  
            }  
        });  
    }  
}
```

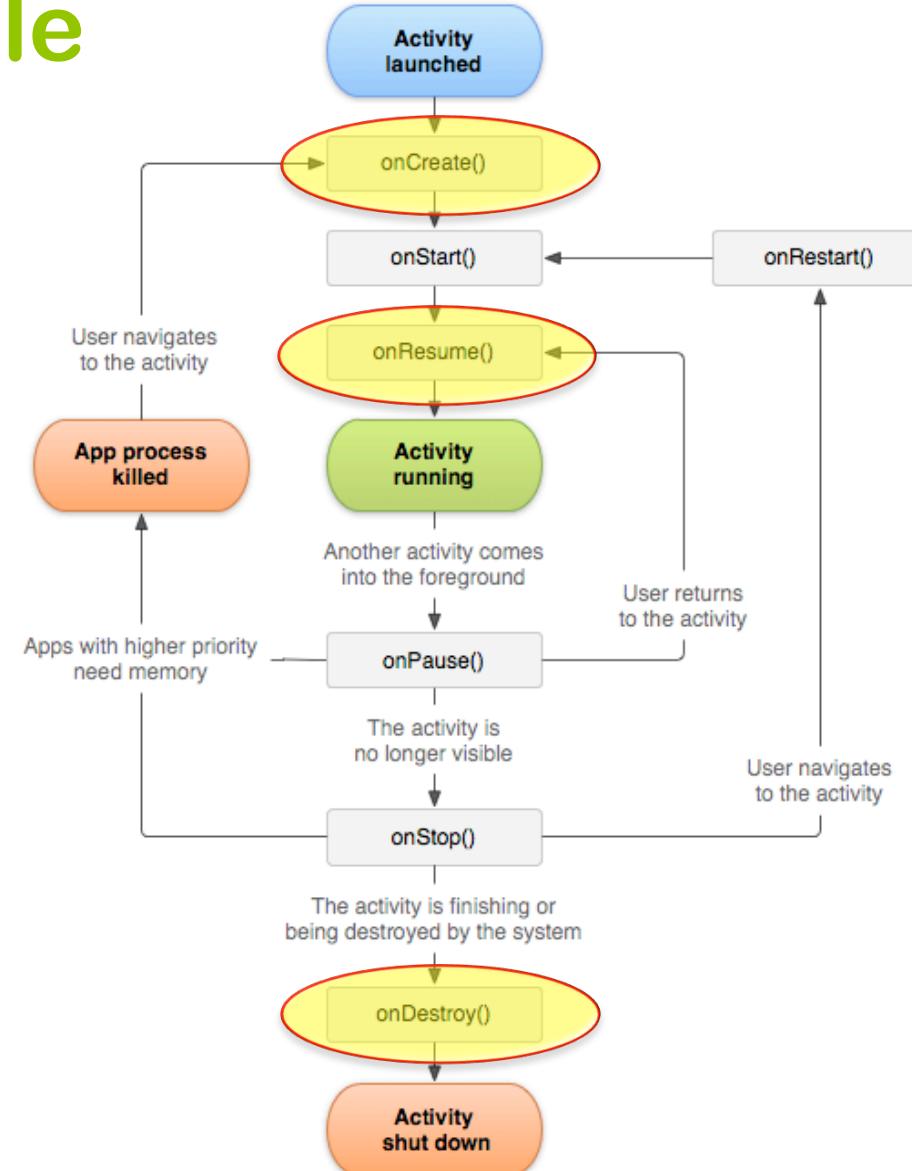
## The code

```
protected void onDestroy() {  
    super.onDestroy();  
    instances--;  
}  
protected void onResume() {  
    super.onResume();  
    if (tf != null)  
        tf.setText("Instance count: A1 = " +  
                  A1.instances+ " - count A2 = " +  
                  A2.instances);  
}
```



# Activity lifecycle

States (colored),  
and  
Callbacks (gray)



# The xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"
    android:layout_height="fill_parent"
    android:orientation="vertical" >

    <TextView
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="@string/activity1HelloString" />

    <Button
        android:id="@+id/button1"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="@string/button1Label" />

    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/instanceCount"
        android:layout_width="fill_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="@string/instanceCount" />

</LinearLayout>
```

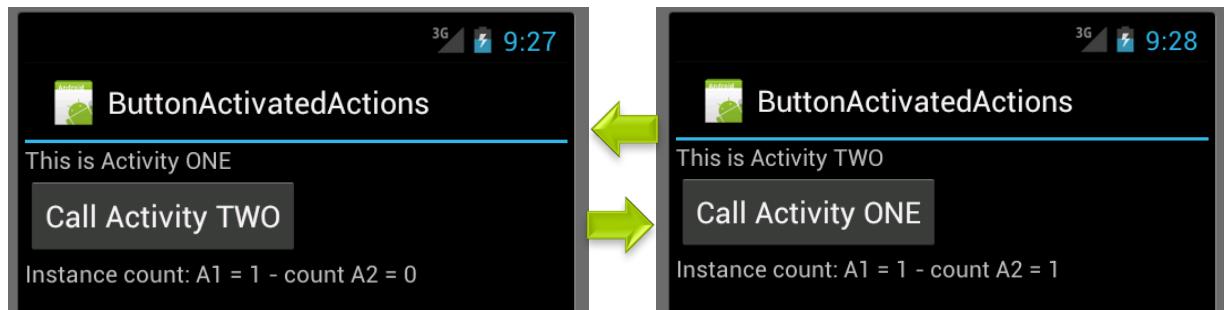
```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<resources>
    <string name="activity2HelloString">
        This is Activity TWO</string>
    <string name="app_name">
        ButtonActivatedActions</string>
    <string name="activity1HelloString">
        This is Activity ONE</string>
    <string name="button1Label">
        Call Activity TWO</string>
    <string name="button2Label">
        Call Activity ONE</string>
    <string name="instanceCount">
        Instance count: field not initialized</string>
    <string name="instanceCount2">
        Instance count: field not initialized</string>
</resources>
```



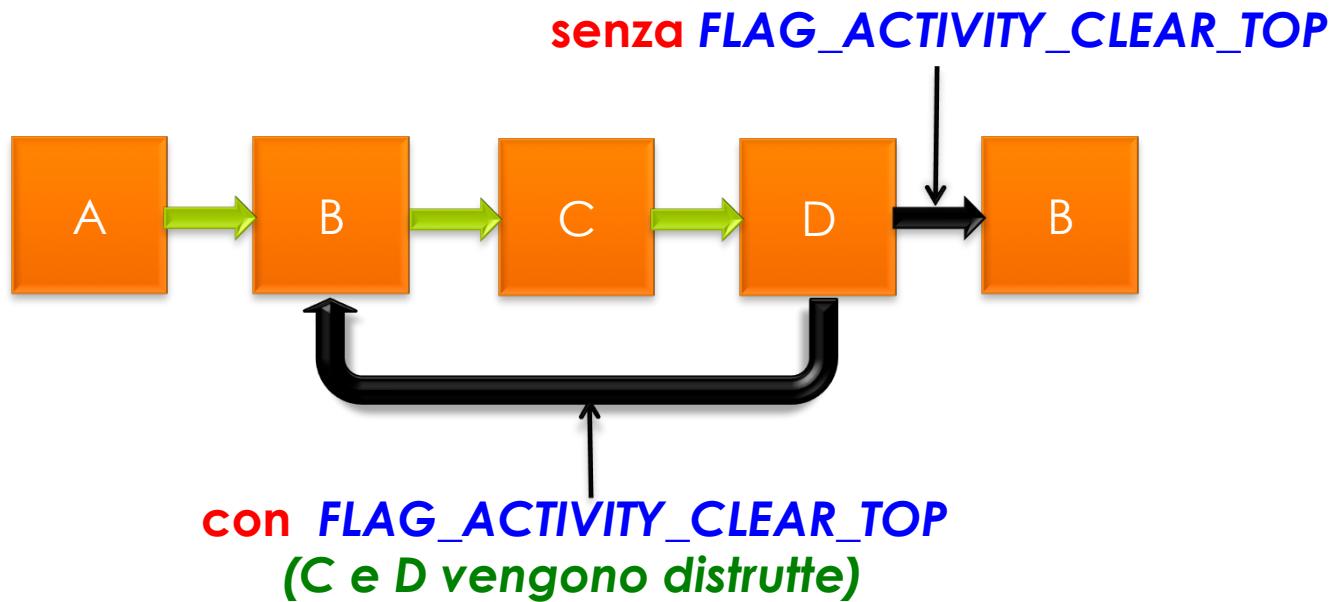
# Minimizing instances

```
protected void onCreate(Bundle icicle) {  
    super.onCreate(icicle);  
    instances++;  
    setContentView(R.layout.layout2);  
    tf2 = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.instanceCount2);  
    final Button button = (Button) findViewById(R.id.button2);  
    final Intent intent = new Intent(this, A1.class);  
    intent.setFlags(Intent.FLAG_ACTIVITY_CLEAR_TOP);  
    button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {  
        public void onClick(View v) {  
            startActivity(intent);  
        }  
    });  
}
```

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# FLAG\_ACTIVITY\_CLEAR\_TOP



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For details see [http://developer.android.com/reference/android/content/Intent.html#FLAG\\_ACTIVITY\\_BROUGHT\\_TO\\_FRONT](http://developer.android.com/reference/android/content/Intent.html#FLAG_ACTIVITY_BROUGHT_TO_FRONT)

# FLAGS

int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_BROUGHT_TO_FRONT</a>	This flag is not normally set by application code, but set for you by the system as described in the launcher section.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_CLEAR_TASK</a>	If set in an Intent passed to <code>Context.startActivity()</code> , this flag will cause any existing task that would have been created for the activity to be cleared.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_CLEAR_TOP</a>	If set, and the activity being launched is already running in the current task, then instead of launching a new Intent, the existing Intent will be delivered to the (now on top) old activity as a new Intent.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_CLEAR_WHEN_TASK_RESET</a>	If set, this marks a point in the task's activity stack that should be cleared when the task is reset.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_EXCLUDE_FROM_RECENTS</a>	If set, the new activity is not kept in the list of recently launched activities.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_FORWARD_RESULT</a>	If set and this intent is being used to launch a new activity from an existing one, then the reply target of the new activity is the original activity.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_LAUNCHED_FROM_HISTORY</a>	This flag is not normally set by application code, but set for you by the system if this activity is being launched from the history stack.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_MULTIPLE_TASK</a>	<b>Do not use this flag unless you are implementing your own top-level application launcher.</b>
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_NEW_TASK</a>	If set, this activity will become the start of a new task on this history stack.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_NO_ANIMATION</a>	If set in an Intent passed to <code>Context.startActivity()</code> , this flag will prevent the system from applying any animation to the transition between the current screen and the new activity.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_NO_HISTORY</a>	If set, the new activity is not kept in the history stack.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_NO_USER_ACTION</a>	If set, this flag will prevent the normal <code>onUserLeaveHint()</code> callback from occurring on the current front-most activity.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_PREVIOUS_IS_TOP</a>	If set and this intent is being used to launch a new activity from an existing one, the current activity will not be cleared before starting a new one.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_REORDER_TO_FRONT</a>	If set in an Intent passed to <code>Context.startActivity()</code> , this flag will cause the launched activity to be moved to the front of the history stack.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_RESET_TASK_IF_NEEDED</a>	If set, and this activity is either being started in a new task or bringing to the top an existing task, then it will be cleared before the new activity is started.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_SINGLE_TOP</a>	If set, the activity will not be launched if it is already running at the top of the history stack.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_ACTIVITY_TASK_ON_HOME</a>	If set in an Intent passed to <code>Context.startActivity()</code> , this flag will cause a newly launching task to be created even if there is an existing task on the home screen.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_DEBUG_LOG_RESOLUTION</a>	A flag you can enable for debugging: when set, log messages will be printed during the resolution of this Intent.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_EXCLUDE_STOPPED_PACKAGES</a>	If set, this intent will not match any components in packages that are currently stopped.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_FROM_BACKGROUND</a>	Can be set by the caller to indicate that this Intent is coming from a background operation, not from direct user interaction.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_GRANT_READ_URI_PERMISSION</a>	If set, the recipient of this Intent will be granted permission to perform read operations on the Uri in the Intent.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_GRANT_WRITE_URI_PERMISSION</a>	If set, the recipient of this Intent will be granted permission to perform write operations on the Uri in the Intent.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_INCLUDE_STOPPED_PACKAGES</a>	If set, this intent will always match any components in packages that are currently stopped.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_RECEIVER_REGISTERED_ONLY</a>	If set, when sending a broadcast only registered receivers will be called -- no BroadcastReceiver components that are not registered will receive the broadcast.
int	<a href="#">FLAG_RECEIVER_REPLACE_PENDING</a>	If set, when sending a broadcast the new broadcast will replace any existing pending broadcast that matches the Intent's filter.



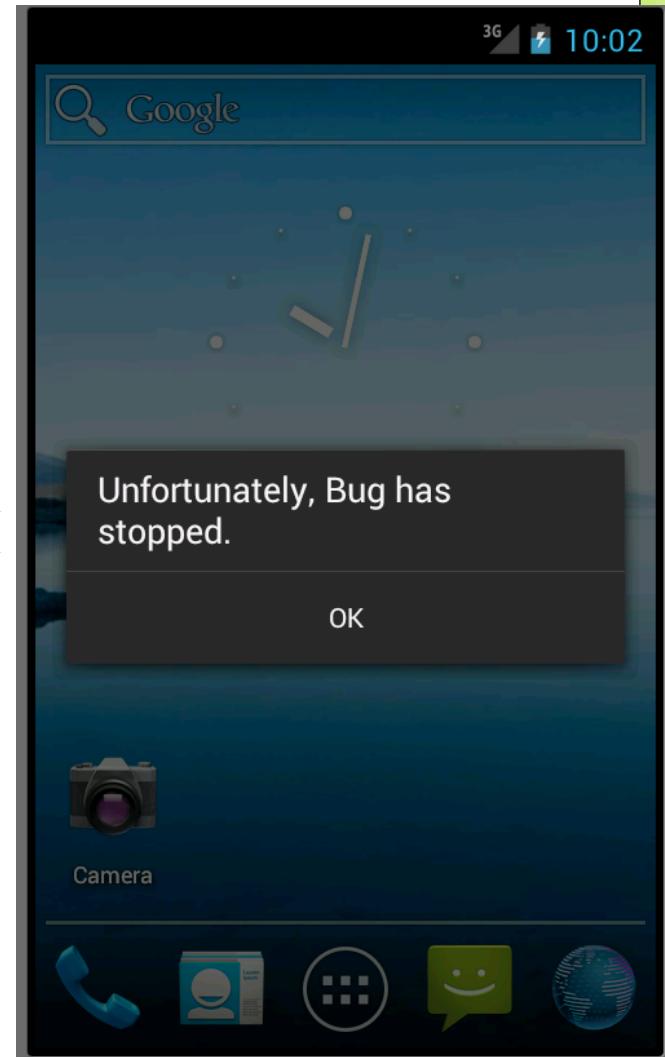


# Basic tips: having troubles...

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# A bugged program

```
package com.example.helloandroid;  
  
import android.app.Activity;  
import android.os.Bundle;  
  
public class BugActivity extends Activity {  
    /** Called when the activity is first created. */  
    @Override  
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        Object o = null;  
        o.toString();  
        setContentView(R.layout.main);  
    }  
}
```

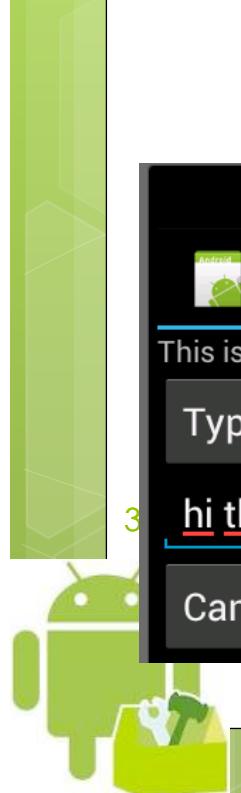
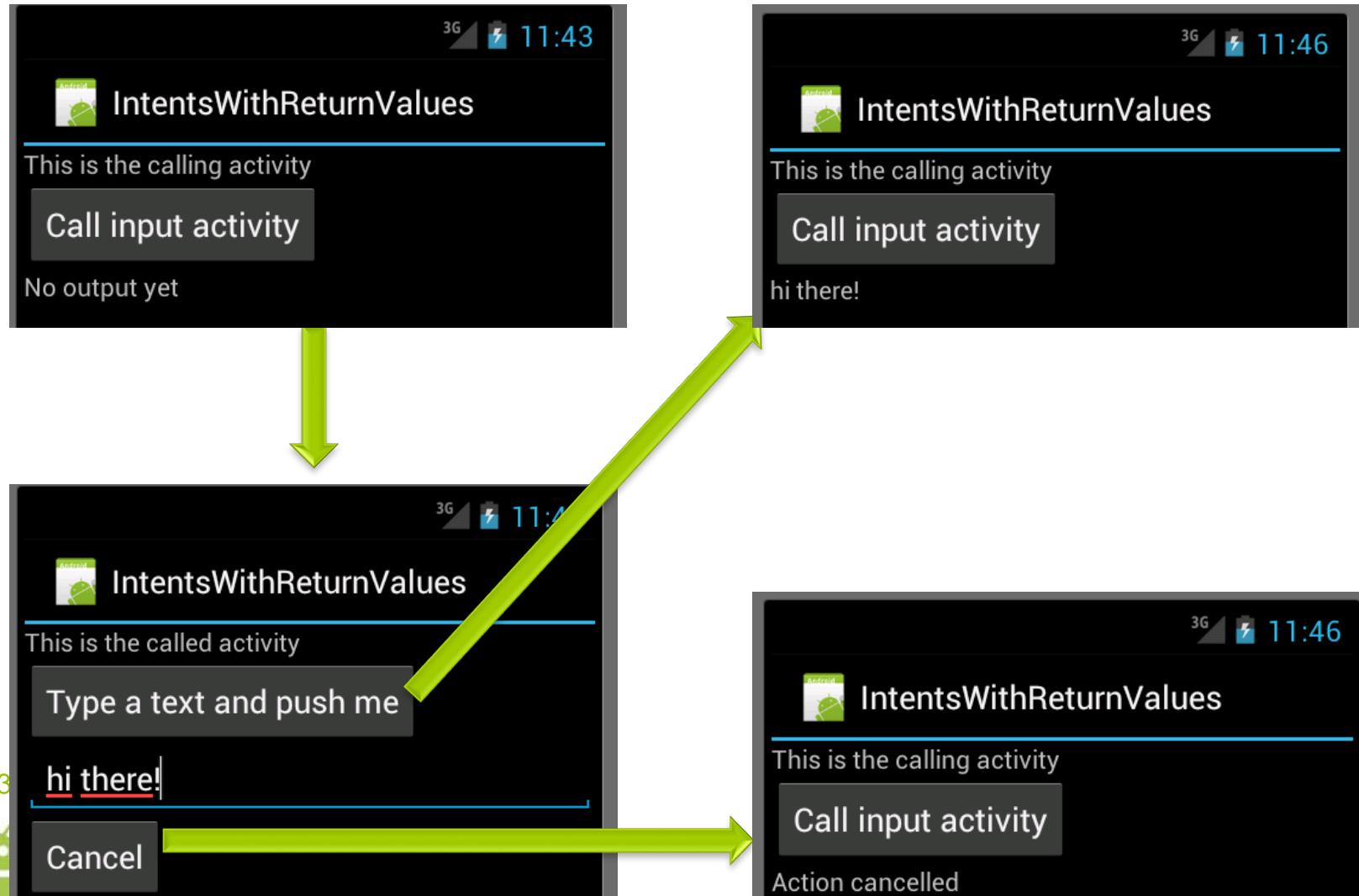




# Calling Activities with return values: `startActivityForResult`

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# Returning data



# How the dialog occurs

## Caller:

```
startActivityForResult(Intent in1, int requestCode)
```

## Responder:

```
setResult(int resultCode, Intent data1);  
data1.putExtra("payloadIdentifier", content);  
finish();
```

## Caller:

```
onActivityResult(int requestCode, int resultCode,  
Intent data2) {  
    data2.getStringExtra("payloadIdentifier")
```



# Calling activity

```
public class CallingActivity extends Activity {  
    int requestCode=100;  
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        setContentView(R.layout.layout1);  
        final Intent i = new Intent(this,CalledActivity.class);  
        final Button button = (Button) findViewById(R.id.invokebutton);  
        button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {  
            public void onClick(View v) { startActivityForResult(i, requestCode); }  
        });  
    }  
}
```

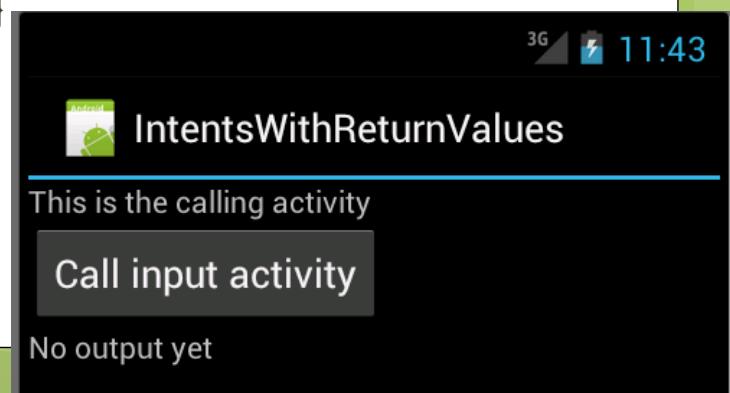
```
protected void onActivityResult(int requestCode, int resultCode, Intent data) {  
    super.onActivityResult(requestCode, resultCode, data);  
    final TextView tf = (TextView) findViewById(R.id.output);  
    if (resultCode==1){  
        tf.setText(data.getStringExtra("payload")); }  
    else{  
        tf.setText("Action cancelled"); }  
}
```

The name should be  
qualified with the package

```
package it.unitn.science.latemar;  
import ...
```



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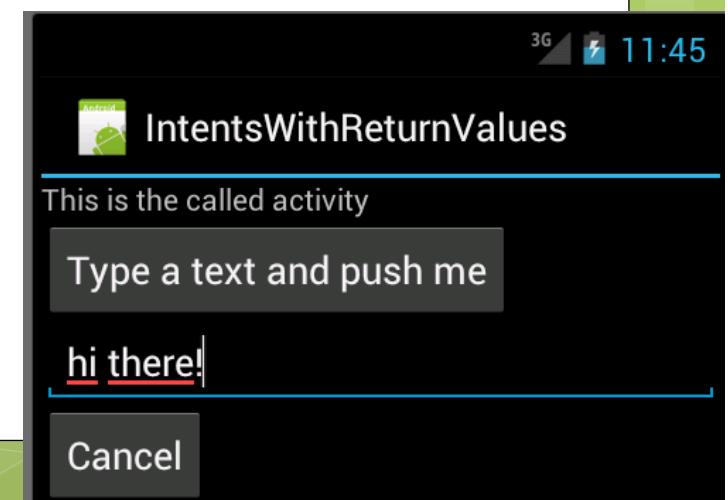


# Called activity

```
public class CalledActivity extends Activity {  
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        setContentView(R.layout.layout2);  
        final Intent in = new Intent();  
        final Button button = (Button) findViewById(R.id.OKbutton);  
        final EditText tf = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.editText1);  
        button.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {  
            public void onClick(View v) {  
                setResult(1,in);  
                in.putExtra("payload", tf.getText().toString());  
                finish();  
            }  
        });  
        final Button button_c = (Button) findViewById(R.id.cancelButton);  
        button_c.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener() {  
            public void onClick(View v) {  
                setResult(0,in);  
                finish();  
            }  
        });  
    }  
}
```

```
package it.unitn.science.latemar;  
  
import ...
```

The name should be qualified with the package



# Remember to register the Activity!

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    package="it.unitn.science.latemar"
    android:versionCode="1"
    android:versionName="1.0" >
    <uses-sdk android:minSdkVersion="13" />
    <application
        android:icon="@drawable/ic_launcher"
        android:label="@string/app_name" >
        <activity
            android:name=".CallingActivity"
            android:label="@string/app_name" >
            <intent-filter>
                <action android:name="android.intent.action.MAIN" />
                <category android:name="android.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
            </intent-filter>
        </activity>
        <activity android:name="CalledActivity"></activity>
    </application>
</manifest>
```

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# Extras

`putExtra(String name, #TYPE# payload)`

where #TYPE# = one of

- Primitive data types
- String or various types of serializable objects

`hasExtra(String name)`

`get...Extra(String name)` where ... is the name of the data types available in getters

`removeExtra(String name)`

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`replaceExtra` completely replace the Extras



# putExtra

Intent putExtra(String name, boolean value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, boolean[] value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, double value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, double[] value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, byte value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, byte[] value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, float value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, float[] value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, int value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, int[] value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, short value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, short[] value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, long value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, long[] value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, char value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, char[] value)

Intent putExtra(String name, CharSequence value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, CharSequence[] value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, String[] value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, String value)

Intent putExtra(String name, Bundle value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, Serializable value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, Parcelable value)  
Intent putExtra(String name, Parcelable[] value)



# putExtras

Intent putExtras(Intent src)

Copy all extras in 'src' in to this intent.

Intent putExtras(Bundle extras)

Add a set of extended data to the intent.

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## getExtra:

boolean getbooleanExtra(String name)

boolean[] getbooleanArrayExtra (String name)

... same for double, byte, float, int, short, long, char,  
CharSequence, String, Parcelable

Bundle getBundleExtra(String name)

Serializable getSerializableExtra(String name)

