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Location Awareness

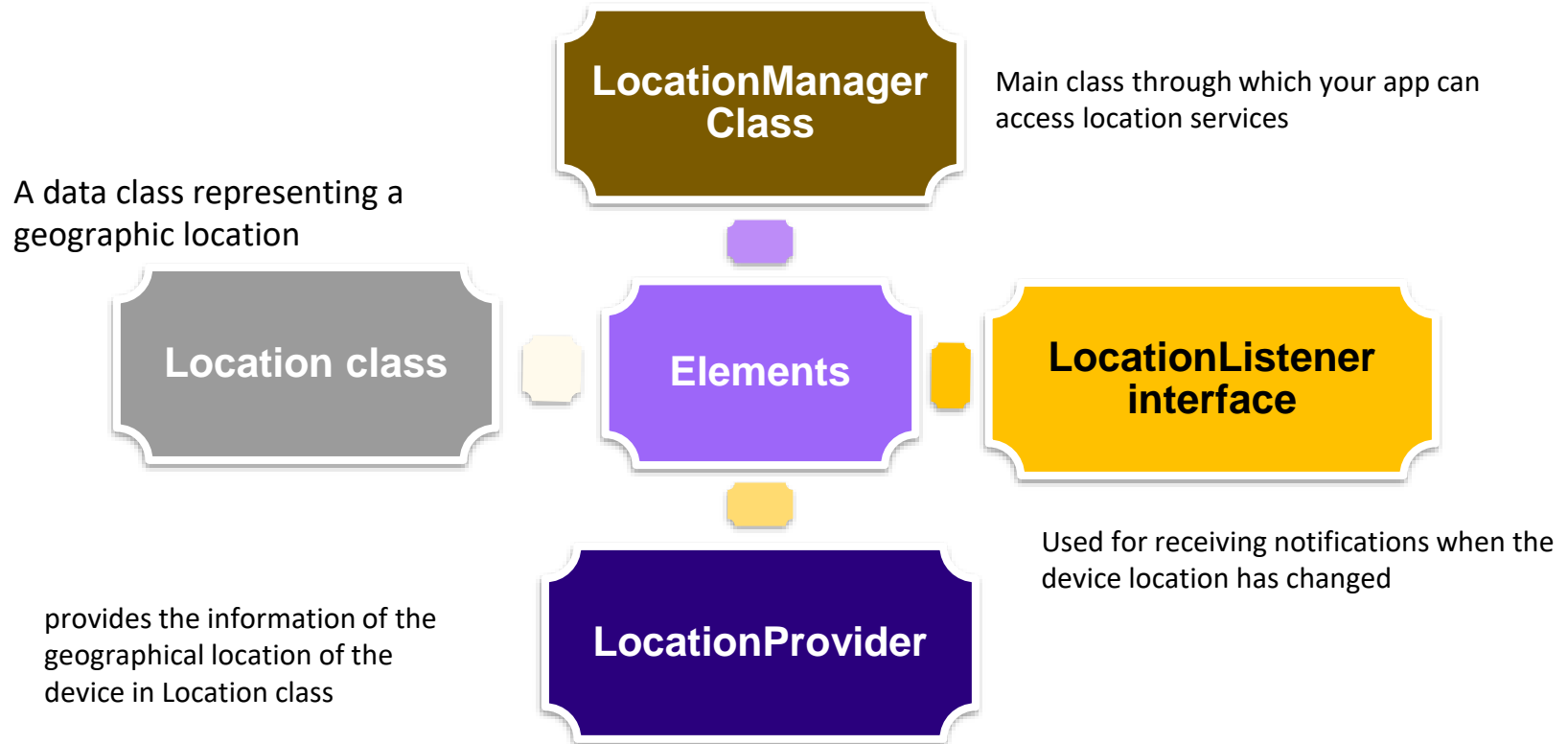


- ❑ Android makes use of information from GPS and WiFi networks to get the location of the device on this Earth
- ❑ To build location-aware applications with the help of Google Play services
- ❑ Google Play services facilitates adding location awareness to your app with automated location tracking, geofencing, and activity recognition
- ❑ Android provides Location Framework contains classes and interfaces to implement the location feature in our app





Components of Location object





Request location permissions



- Apps that use location services must request location permissions in order to protect user privacy
- Multiple permissions related to location
- Which permissions you request, and how you request them, depend on the location requirements for your app's use case are matters
- Types of location access**
 - Each permission has a combination of the following characteristics:
 - **Category:** Either foreground location or background location
 - **Accuracy:** Either precise location or approximate location



Foreground location



- ❑ If your app contains a feature that shares or receives location information only once, or for a defined amount of time, then that feature requires foreground location access
- ❑ App accesses the device's current location in one of the following situations
 - An App's activity is visible
 - Your app is running a foreground service
- ❑ It is recommended that you declare a foreground service type of location
- ❑ Permission can set like

```
<manifest ... >  
<!-- Always include this permission -->  
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_COARSE_LOCATION" />  
<!-- Include only if your app benefits from precise location access. -->  
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION" />  
</manifest>
```

```
<service  
  android:name="MyNavigationService"  
  android:foregroundServiceType="location" ... >  
  <!-- Any inner elements would go here. -->  
</service>
```

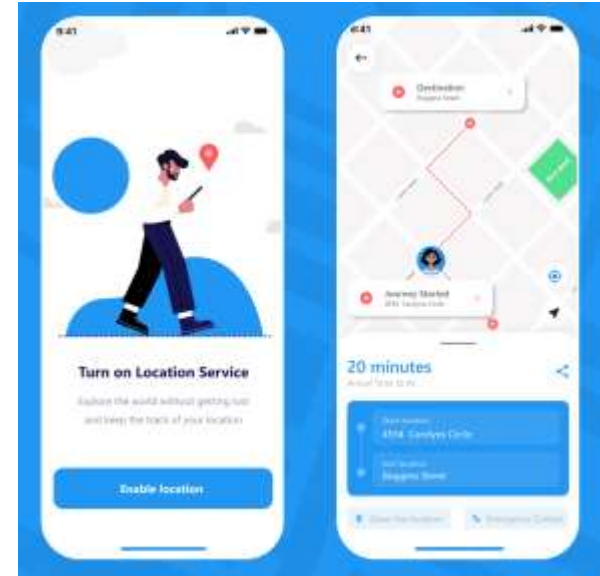


Background location



- ❑ App requires background location access if a feature within the app constantly shares location with other users
- ❑ Permission can set like

```
<manifest ... >  
  <!-- Required only when requesting background location access  
  on Android 10 (API level 29) and higher. -->  
  <uses-permission  
  android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_BACKGROUND_LOCATION" />  
</manifest>
```





Location Object



- ❑ Location object represents a geographic location which can consist of a latitude, longitude, time stamp, and other information such as bearing, altitude & velocity

float distanceTo(Location Dest)	Returns the approximate distance in meters between this location and the given location
float getAccuracy()	Get the estimated accuracy of this location, in meters
double getAltitude()	Get the altitude if available, in meters above sea level
float getBearing()	Get the bearing, in degrees
double getLatitude()	Get the latitude, in degrees
double getLongitude()	Get the longitude, in degree
float getSpeed()	Get the speed if it is available, in meters/second over ground
boolean hasAccuracy()	True if this location has an accuracy
boolean hasAltitude().	True if this location has an altitude
boolean hasBearing()	True if this location has a bearing



Location Object



☐ Location object method continues

boolean hasSpeed()	True if this location has a speed
void reset()	Clears the contents of the location
void setAccuracy(float accuracy)	Set the estimated accuracy of this location, meters
void setAltitude(double altitude)	Set the altitude, in meters above sea level
void setBearing(float bearing)	Set the bearing, in degrees
void setLatitude(double latitude)	Set the latitude, in degrees
void setLongitude(double longitude)	Set the longitude, in degrees
void setSpeed(float speed)	Set the speed, in meters/second over ground
String toString()	Returns a string containing a concise, human-readable description of this object



Access Current Location



- ❑ To get the current location,
 - create a location client which is LocationClient object
 - connect it to Location Services using connect() method, and then
 - call its getLastLocation() method, which returns the most recent location
- ❑ To have location based functionality in your activity, you will have to implement two interfaces
 - GooglePlayServicesClient.ConnectionCallbacks
 - GooglePlayServicesClient.OnConnectionFailedListener

abstract void onConnected(Bundle connectionHint)	called when location service is connected to the location client successfully. You will use connect() method to connect to the location client
abstract void onDisconnected()	called when the client is disconnected. You will use disconnect() method to disconnect from the location client
abstract void onConnectionFailed(ConnectionResult result)	called when there was an error connecting the client to the service



Access updated Location



- ❑ To get the updated location,
 - implement **LocationListener** interface which has callback method

abstract void onLocationChanged(Location location)	used for receiving notifications from the LocationClient when the location has changed
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Location Quality of Service (QoS)



- ❑ **LocationRequest** object is used to request a quality of service (QoS) for location updates from the **LocationClient**

setExpirationDuration(long millis)	Set the duration of this request, in milliseconds
setExpirationTime(long millis)	Set the request expiration time, in millisecond since boot
setFastestInterval(long millis)	Explicitly set the fastest interval for location updates, in milliseconds
setInterval(long millis)	Set the desired interval for active location updates, in milliseconds
setNumUpdates(int numUpdates)	Set the number of location updates
setPriority(int priority)	Set the priority of the request

❑ **Displaying a Location Address**

- `Geocoder.getFromLocation()` method to get an address for a given latitude and longitude which need to be called from `doInBackground()` method of an `AsyncTask` class



Maps



- ❑ While Location services determine the geographical coordinates of a location, Maps help plotting these coordinates in a much more comprehensible visual medium
- ❑ Maps to navigate to a desired location, enterprises have figured out their usage in various other scenarios
- ❑ Google Maps Android API to incorporate Maps and related functionalities
- ❑ Using API, we can include maps in our apps, mark places, and draw routes on it
- ❑ We need set permissions for `com.google.android.providers.gsf.permission.READ_GSERVICES`, `ACCESS_NETWORK_STATE`, `INTERNET`, and `WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE` permissions





Setting Up Maps



- ❑ To setup maps, ensure Google map services API installed
- ❑ Then we have to obtain a map key from Google APIs console, so that the app can access Google Maps servers through the Google Maps Android API
- ❑ In order to get a map key, we need to create a project in Google APIs console
- ❑ Once the project is created, we need to enable the Google Maps Android API
- ❑ Following this, we need to create a new Android key by providing, package name, and Secure Hash Algorithm 1 (SHA1) fingerprint of our app in the Credentials sub-section of APIs & auth section
- ❑ SHA1 fingerprint is a 40-digit hexadecimal number that represents the shorthand for RSA key required to authenticate our app, before publishing it on an app store



Add Map



- ❑ It is generated using the keytool utility (JDK tool), and get stored inside a keystore – a database to store cryptographic keys and digital certificates

```
keytool -genkey -v -keystore <<fully_qualified_filename>>.keystore -  
alias <<aliasname>> -keyalg RSA -keysize 2048 -validity 10000
```

- ❑ To list the SHA1 fingerprint, we need to execute the following command

```
keytool -list -v -keystore <<fully_qualified_filename>>.keystore -  
alias <<aliasname>> -storepass <<password>> -keypass <<password>>
```

- ❑ outcome of the app registration is a map key displayed on Google APIs console. Once we get the map key, we have to add it to the app manifest file

```
<application>  
...  
<meta-data android:name="com.google.android.maps.v2.API_KEY" android:value="<<Obtained map key>>"/>  
...  
</application>
```



Access updated Location



- ❑ Once map is setup, it can be added to our app using MapView UI element /Map_Frament
- ❑ Add the code into the layout file

```
<fragment  
  android:id="@+id/mapLayout"  
  android:layout_width="match_parent"  
  android:layout_height="match_parent"  
  class="com.google.android.gms.maps.MapFragment" />
```



Add Map



```
private void initializeMap() {
    coordinates = new LatLng(currentLocation.getLatitude(), currentLocation.getLongitude());
    myMapFragment=(MapFragment)getFragmentManager().findFragmentById(R.id.mapLayout);
    map = myMapFragment.getMap();
    if (map != null) {
        map.setMyLocationEnabled(true);
        map.moveCamera(CameraUpdateFactory.newLatLngZoom(new LatLng(coordinates.latitude, coordinates.longitude), 13));
    }
}@Override
protected void onStart() {
    super.onStart();
    mClient.connect();
}
@Override
public void onStop() {
    mClient.disconnect();
    super.onStop();
}
@Override
public void onConnected(Bundle arg0) {
    initializeMap();
}
```




Example – Access Location



```
<?xml version = "1.0" encoding = "utf-8"?>
<manifest xmlns:android = "http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
  package = "com.example.tutorialspoint7.myapplication">
  <uses-permission android:name = "android.permission.ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION" />
  <uses-permission android:name = "android.permission.INTERNET" />
  <application
    android:allowBackup = "true"
    android:icon = "@mipmap/ic_launcher"
    android:label = "@string/app_name"
    android:supportsRtl = "true"
    android:theme = "@style/AppTheme">

    <activity android:name = ".MainActivity">
      <intent-filter>
        <action android:name = "android.intent.action.MAIN" />
        <category android:name = "android.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
      </intent-filter>
    </activity>
  </application>
</manifest>
```

Android Manifest file



Example – Access Location



```
<?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" >

    <Button
        android:id = "@+id/button"
        android:layout_width = "fill_parent"
        android:layout_height = "wrap_content"
        android:text = "getlocation"/>
</LinearLayout>
```

res/layout/activity_main.xml file



Example – Access Location



```
public class MainActivity extends Activity
{   Button btnShowLocation;
    private static final int REQUEST_CODE_PERMISSION = 2;
    String mPermission = Manifest.permission.ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION;
    GPSTracker gps;
    @Override
    public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState)
    {   super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
        try {
            if (ActivityCompat.checkSelfPermission(this, mPermission) !=
MockPackageManager.PERMISSION_GRANTED)
            {   ActivityCompat.requestPermissions(this, new String[]{mPermission},
REQUEST_CODE_PERMISSION);
                // If any permission above not allowed by user, this condition will execute every time, else your else part
will work
            }
        } catch (Exception e) {   e.printStackTrace();   }
        btnShowLocation = (Button) findViewById(R.id.button);    // show location button click event
```

MainActivity.java



Example – Access Location



```
btnShowLocation.setOnClickListener(new View.OnClickListener()
{
    @Override
    public void onClick(View arg0)
    {
        // create class object      gps = new GPSTracker(MainActivity.this);
        // check if GPS enabled
        if(gps.canGetLocation())
        {
            double latitude = gps.getLatitude();
            double longitude = gps.getLongitude();      // \n is for new line
            Toast.makeText(getApplicationContext(), "Your Location is - \nLat: "      + latitude + "\nLong: " +
            longitude, Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
        }else
        {
            // can't get location      // GPS or Network is not enabled      // Ask user to enable
            GPS/network in settings
            gps.showSettingsAlert();
        }
    }
});
}}
```

MainActivity.java



Example – Access Location



```
public class GPSTracker extends Service implements LocationListener
{ private final Context mContext;
  // flag for GPS status
  boolean isGPSEnabled = false;
  // flag for network status
  boolean isNetworkEnabled = false;
  // flag for GPS status
  boolean canGetLocation = false;
  Location location; // location
  double latitude; // latitude
  double longitude; // longitude
  // The minimum distance to change Updates in meters
  private static final long MIN_DISTANCE_CHANGE_FOR_UPDATES = 10; // 10 meters
  // The minimum time between updates in milliseconds
  private static final long MIN_TIME_BW_UPDATES = 1000 * 60 * 1; // 1 minute
  // Declaring a Location Manager
  protected LocationManager locationManager;
  public GPSTracker(Context context)
  { this.mContext = context; getLocation(); }
```

GpsTracker.java



Example – Access Location



```
public Location getLocation()
{ try
    { locationManager = (LocationManager) mContext.getSystemService(LOCATION_SERVICE);
    // getting GPS status
    isGPSEnabled = locationManager.isProviderEnabled(LocationManager.GPS_PROVIDER);
    // getting network status
    isNetworkEnabled = locationManager.isProviderEnabled(LocationManager.NETWORK_PROVIDER);
    if (!isGPSEnabled && !isNetworkEnabled)
    { // no network provider is enabled }
    else
    { this.canGetLocation = true;
    // First get location from Network Provider
    if (isNetworkEnabled) { locationManager.requestLocationUpdates( LocationManager.NETWORK_PROVIDER,
    MIN_TIME_BW_UPDATES, MIN_DISTANCE_CHANGE_FOR_UPDATES, this);
    Log.d("Network", "Network"); if (locationManager != null)
    { location = locationManager.getLastKnownLocation(LocationManager.NETWORK_PROVIDER);
    if (location != null)
    { latitude = location.getLatitude();
    longitude = location.getLongitude(); } } }
    // if GPS Enabled get lat/long using GPS Services
    if (isGPSEnabled) { if (location == null) { locationManager.requestLocationUpdates( LocationManager.GPS_PROVIDER,
    MIN_TIME_BW_UPDATES, MIN_DISTANCE_CHANGE_FOR_UPDATES, this); Log.d("GPS Enabled", "GPS Enabled");
```

GpsTracker.java



Example – Access Location



```
if (locationManager != null)
{
location = locationManager .getLastKnownLocation(LocationManager.GPS_PROVIDER);
if (location != null)
{ latitude = location.getLatitude();
longitude = location.getLongitude(); } } } }
} catch (Exception e) { e.printStackTrace(); }
return location; }
/** * Stop using GPS listener * Calling this function will stop using GPS in your app * */
public void stopUsingGPS()
{
if(locationManager != null)
{ locationManager.removeUpdates(GPSTracker.this); } }/** * Function to get latitude * */
public double getLatitude()
{ if(location != null)
{ latitude = location.getLatitude(); } // return latitude return latitude; }
/** * Function to get longitude * */
public double getLongitude()
{ if(location != null)
{ longitude = location.getLongitude(); } // return longitude
return longitude; }
```

GpsTracker.java



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