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Files, Saving State, and Preferences: Saving Simple Application Data, Creating and Saving Shared Preferences, Retrieving Shared references, Creating a Settings Activity for the Earthquake Viewer, Introducing the Preference Framework and Preferences Activity, Creating a Standard Preference Activity for the Earthquake Viewer, Including Static Files as Resources, Working with the File System: File Management Tools.

DATABASES AND CONTENT PROVIDERS: Introducing Android Databases, Introducing SQLite, Content Values and Cursors, Working with SQLite Databases, Creating a Content Providers, Using Content Providers, Creating a Searchable Earthquake Content Provider, Native Android Content Providers.

SAVING SIMPLE APPLICATION DATA

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The data-persistence techniques in Android provide options for balancing speed, efficiency, and robustness.

- ❑ **Shared Preferences** — When storing UI state, user preferences, or application settings, you want a lightweight mechanism to store a known set of values. Shared Preferences let you save groups of name/value pairs of primitive data as named preferences.
- ❑ **Saved application UI state** — Activities and Fragments include specialized event handlers to record the current UI state when your application is moved to the background.
- ❑ **Files** — It's not pretty, but sometimes writing to and reading from files is the only way to go. Android lets you create and load files on the device's internal or external media, providing support for temporary caches and storing files in publicly accessible folders.

CREATING AND SAVING SHARED PREFERENCES

- ❑ Using the SharedPreferences class, you can create named maps of name/value pairs that can be persisted across sessions and shared among application components running within the same application sandbox.
- ❑ To create or modify a Shared Preference, call `getSharedPreferences` on the current Context, passing in the name of the Shared Preference to change.

```
SharedPreferences mySharedPreferences = getSharedPreferences(MY_PREFS,  
Activity.MODE_PRIVATE);
```

- ❑ Shared Preferences are stored within the application's sandbox, so they can be shared between an application's components but aren't available to other applications.
- ❑ To modify a Shared Preference, use the `SharedPreferences.Editor` class. Get the Editor object by calling `edit` on the Shared Preferences object you want to change.

```
SharedPreferences.Editor editor = mySharedPreferences.edit();
```

Use the `put<type>` methods to insert or update the values associated with the specified name:

- ❑ `// Store new primitive types in the shared preferences object.`
- ❑ `editor.putBoolean("isTrue", true);`
- ❑ `editor.putFloat("lastFloat", 1f);`
- ❑ `editor.putInt("wholeNumber", 2);`
- ❑ `editor.putLong("aNumber", 3l);`
- ❑ `editor.putString("textEntryValue", "Not Empty");`

To save edits, call `apply` or `commit` on the Editor object to save the changes asynchronously or synchronously, respectively.

```
// Commit the changes.  
editor.apply();
```

RETRIEVING SHARED PREFERENCES

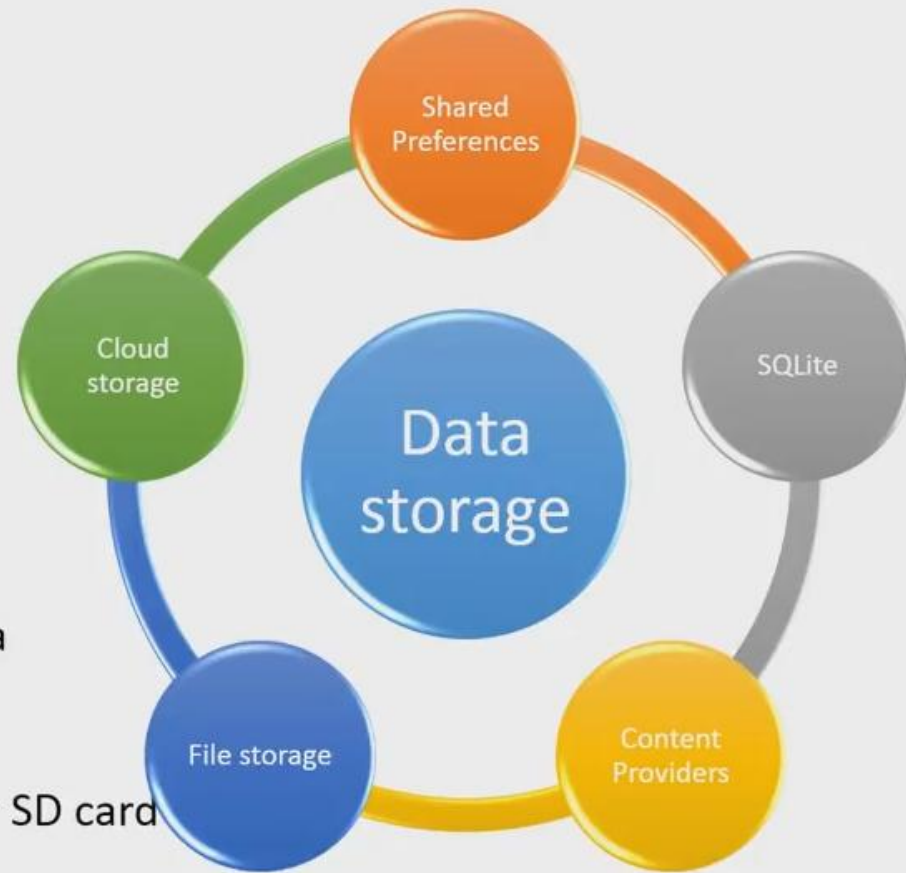
- ❑ Accessing Shared Preferences, like editing and saving them, is done using the `getSharedPreferences` method.
- ❑ Use the type-safe `get<type>` methods to extract saved values. Each getter takes a key and a default value (used when no value has yet been saved for that key.)
- ❑ `// Retrieve the saved values.`
- ❑ `boolean isTrue = mySharedPreferences.getBoolean("isTrue", false);`
- ❑ `float lastFloat = mySharedPreferences.getFloat("lastFloat", 0f);`
- ❑ `int wholeNumber = mySharedPreferences.getInt("wholeNumber", 1);`
- ❑ `long aNumber = mySharedPreferences.getLong("aNumber", 0);`
- ❑ `String stringPreference =`
- ❑ `mySharedPreferences.getString("textEntryValue", "");`

You can return a map of all the available Shared Preferences keys values by calling `getAll`, and check for the existence of a particular key by calling the `contains` method.

- ❑ `Map<String, ?> allPreferences = mySharedPreferences.getAll();`
- ❑ `boolean containsLastFloat = mySharedPreferences.contains("lastFloat");`

Android Data Storage Options

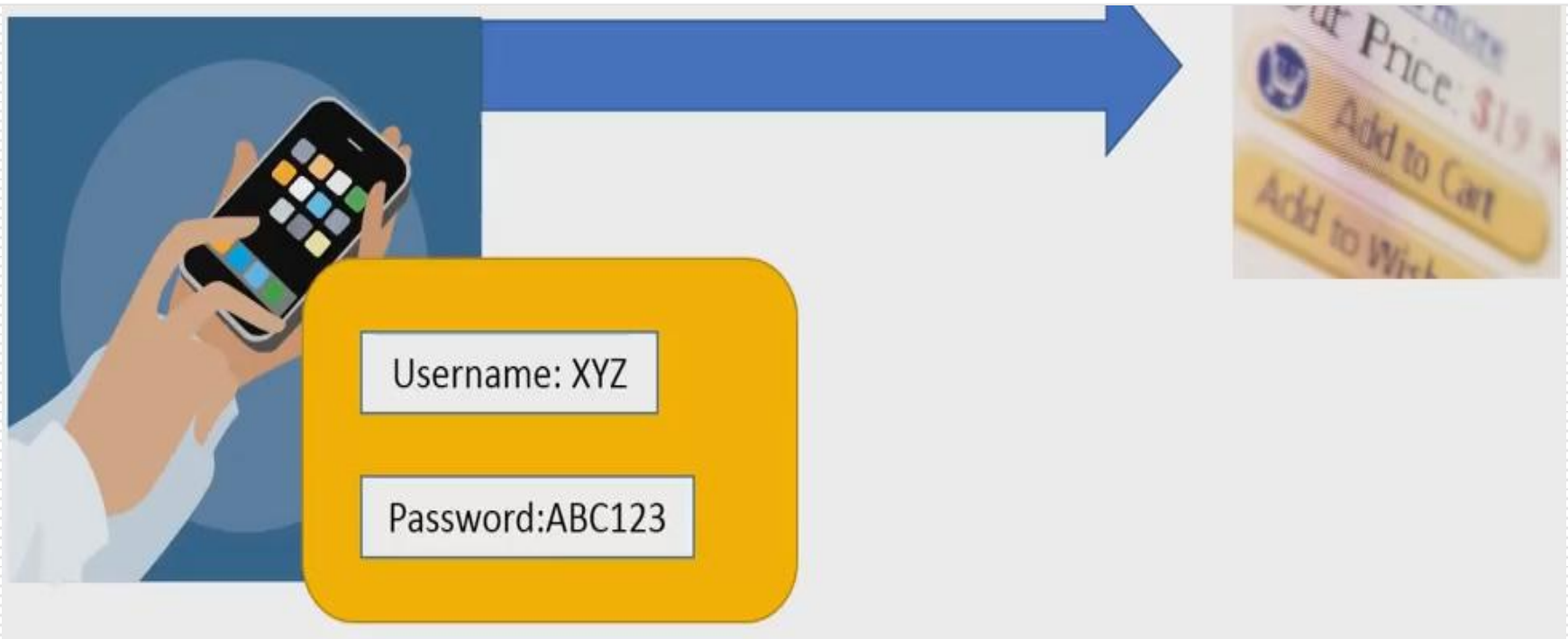
- **SharedPreferences**
 - Store data in key value pairs
- **SQLite**
 - Store structured private app data
- **ContentProvider**
 - Store structured or semi-structured data with user configurable data access
- **File Storage**
 - Store raw files on the phone memory or SD card
- **Cloud storage**
 - Use 3rd party or custom made external data storage APIs



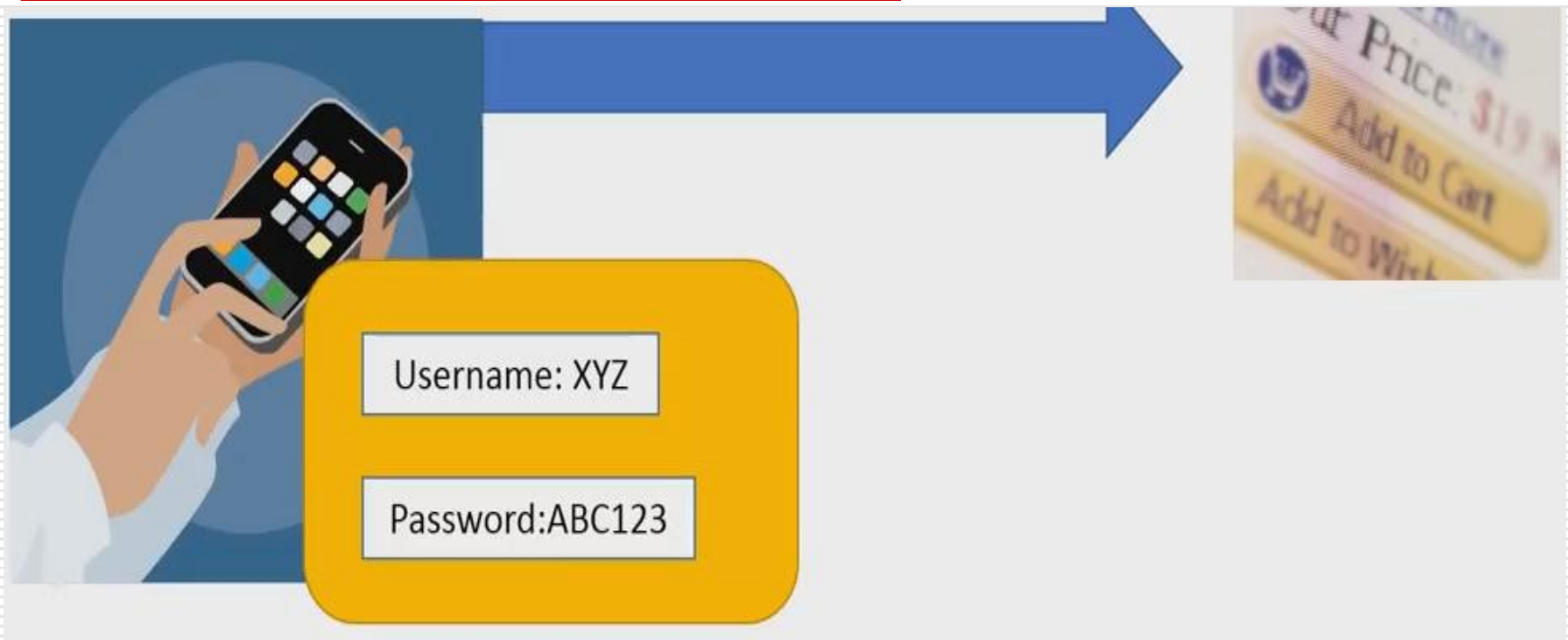
What is SharedPreferences ?



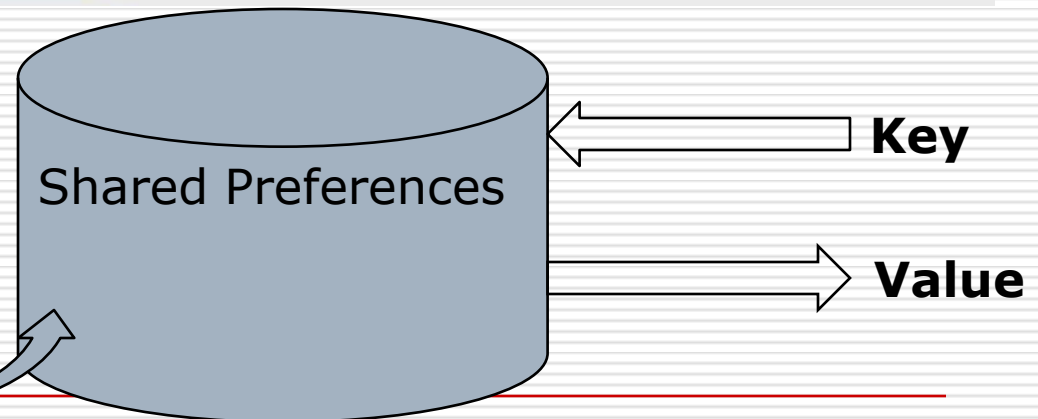
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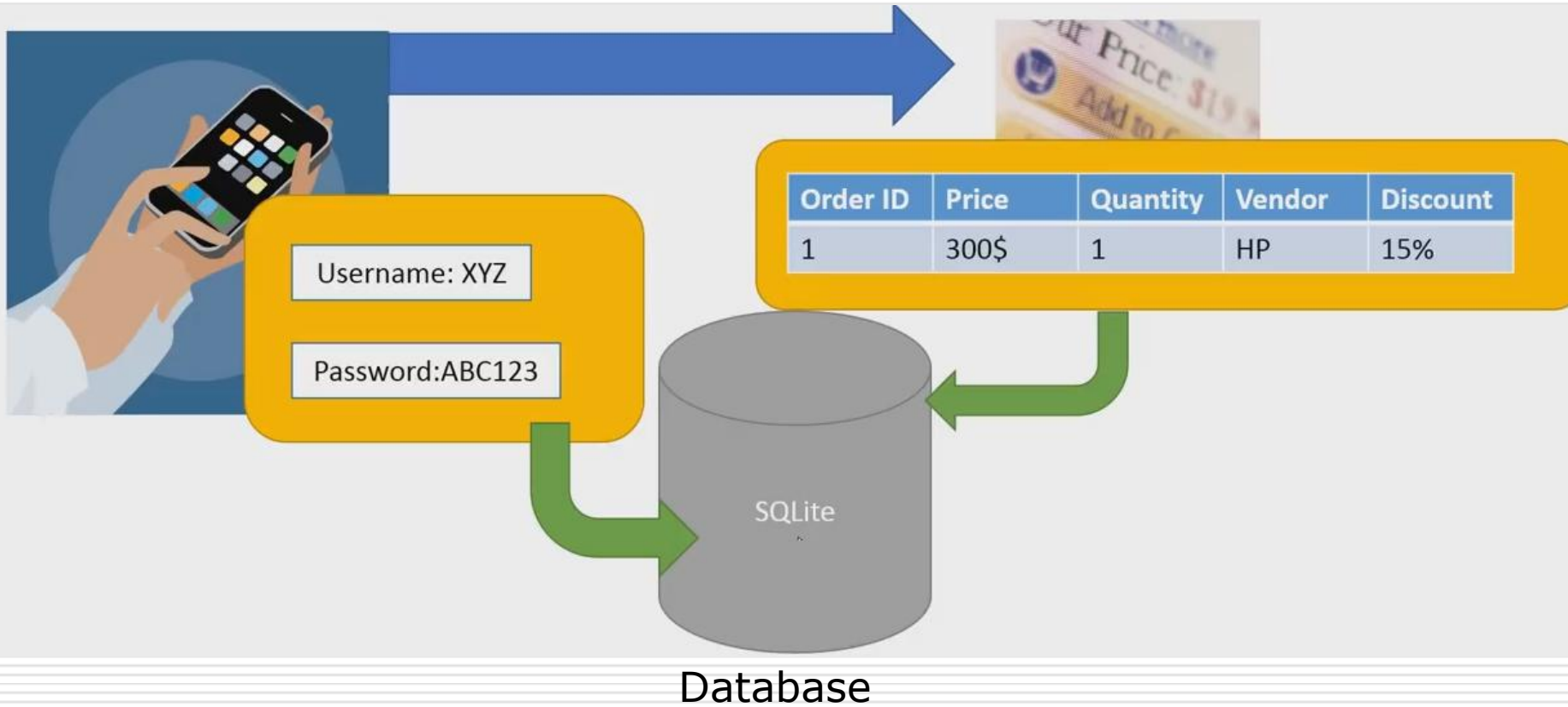
Key	Value
Username	XYZ
Password	ABC123



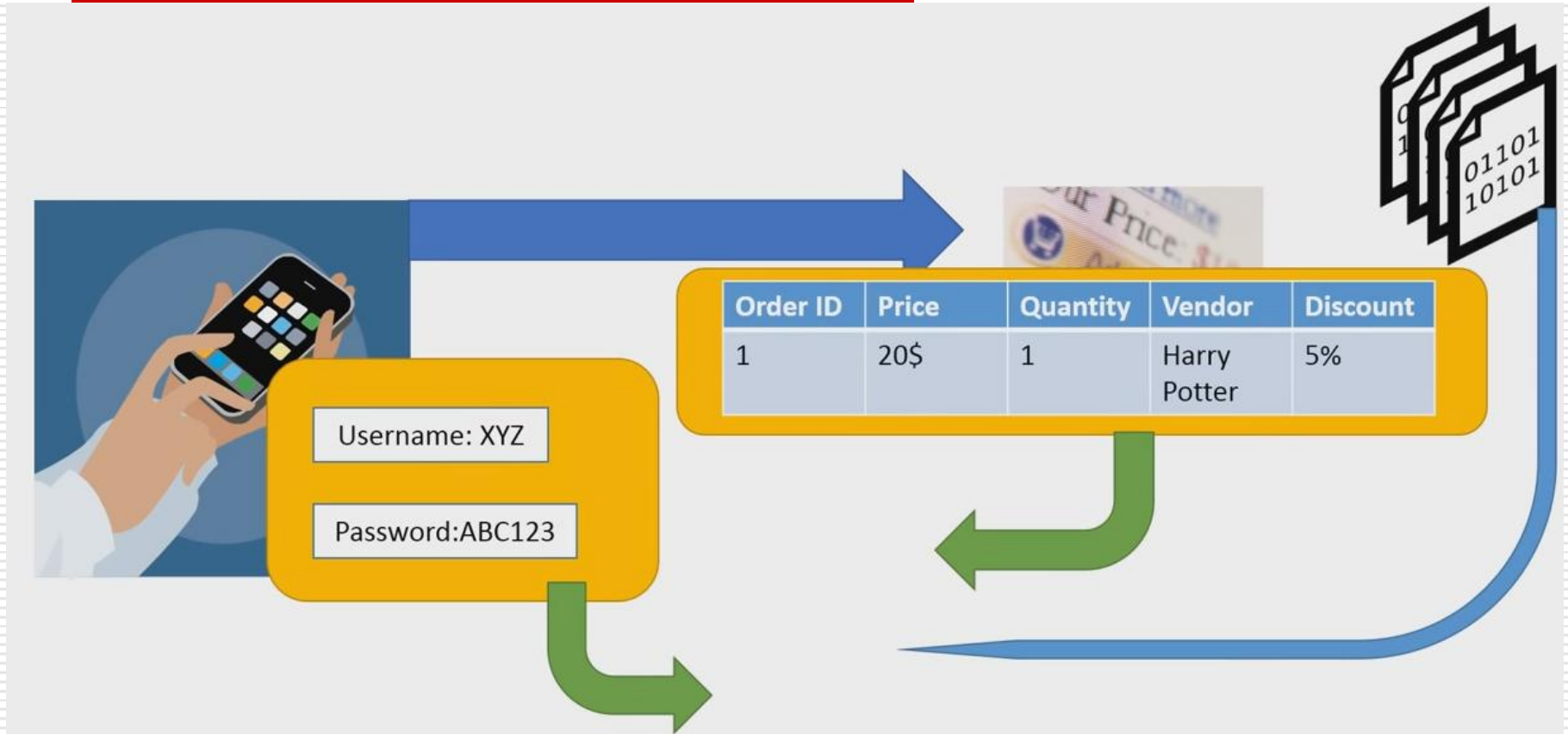
SQLite storage



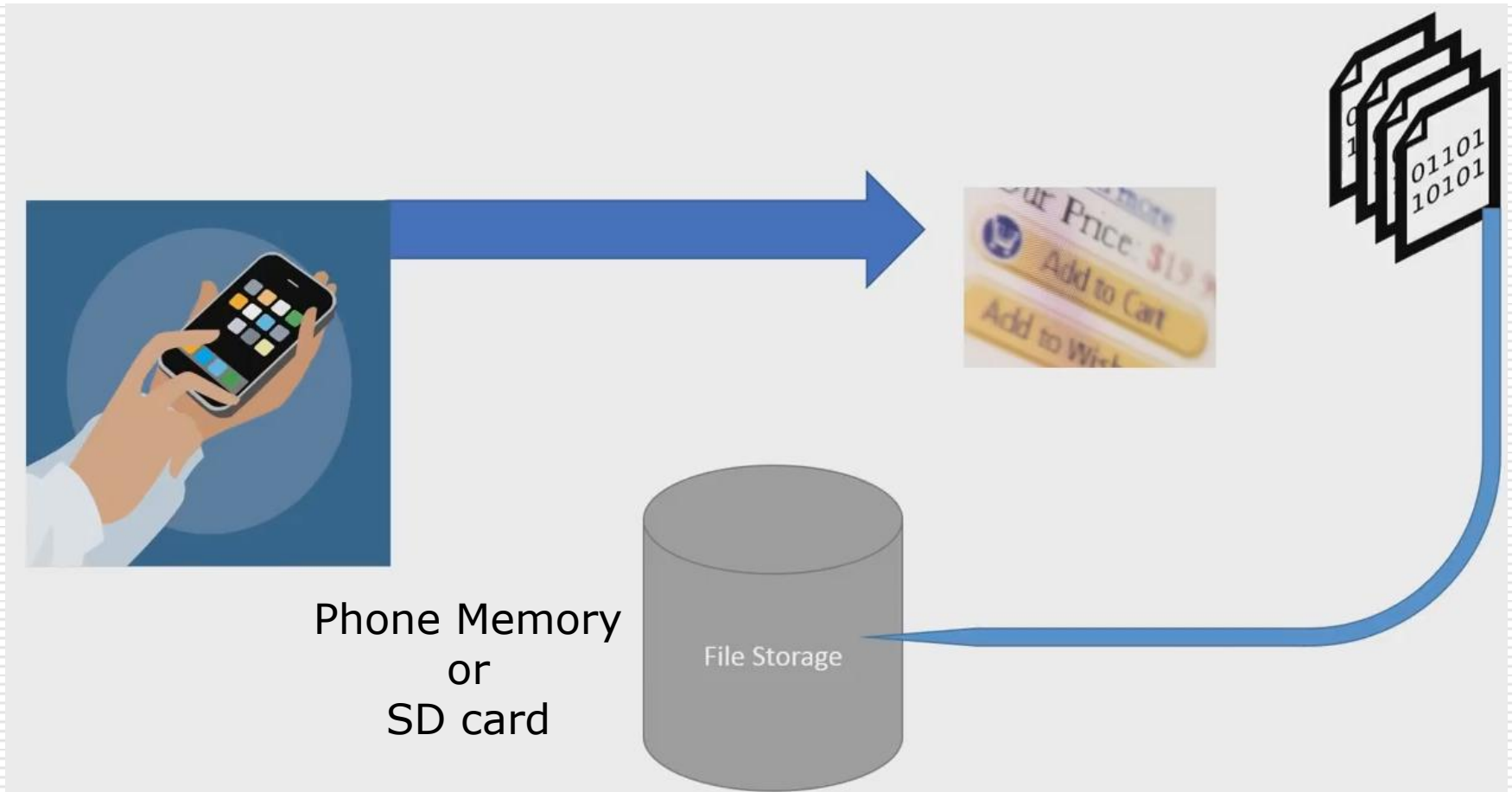
SQLite storage



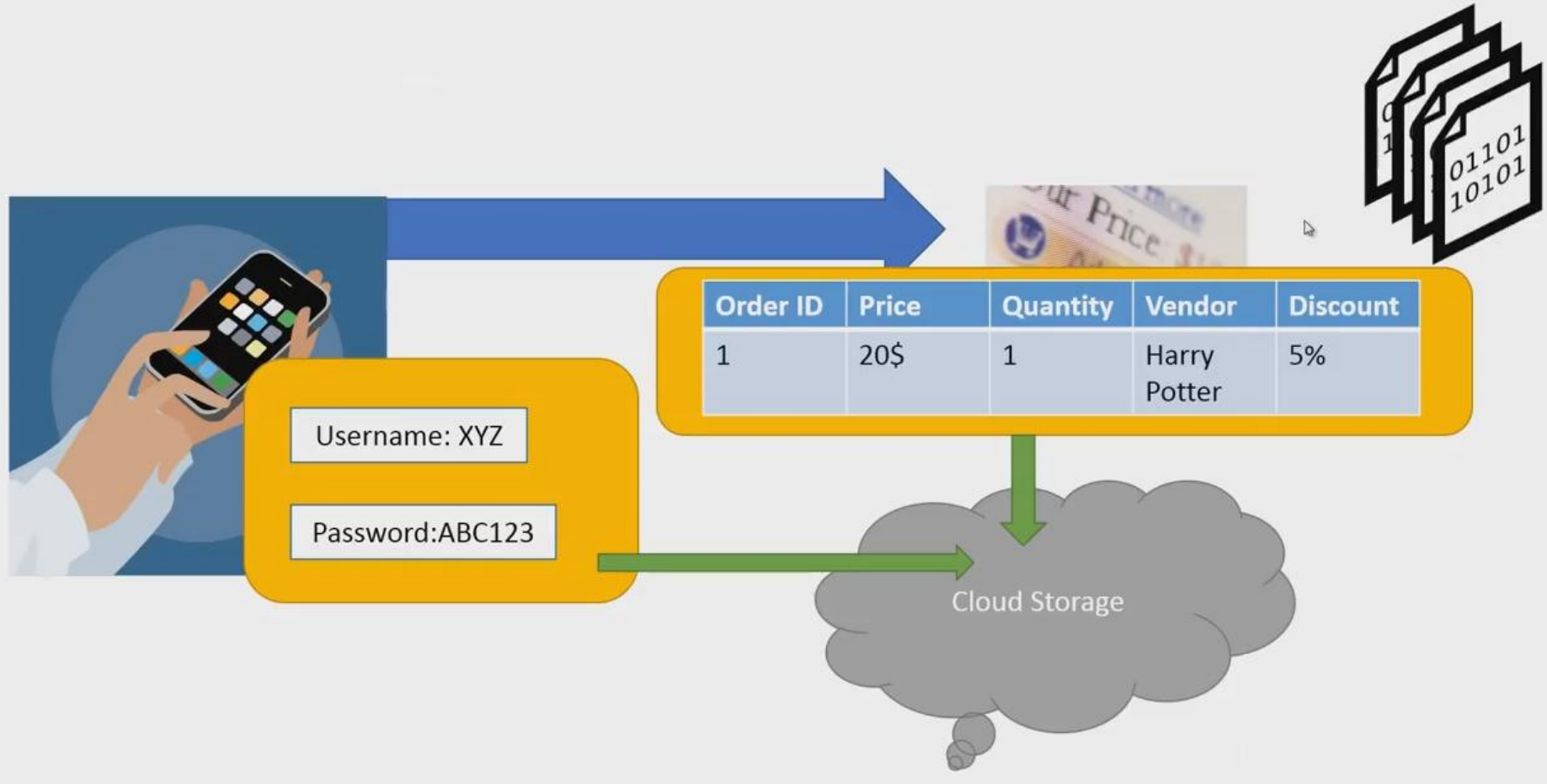
Content Providers



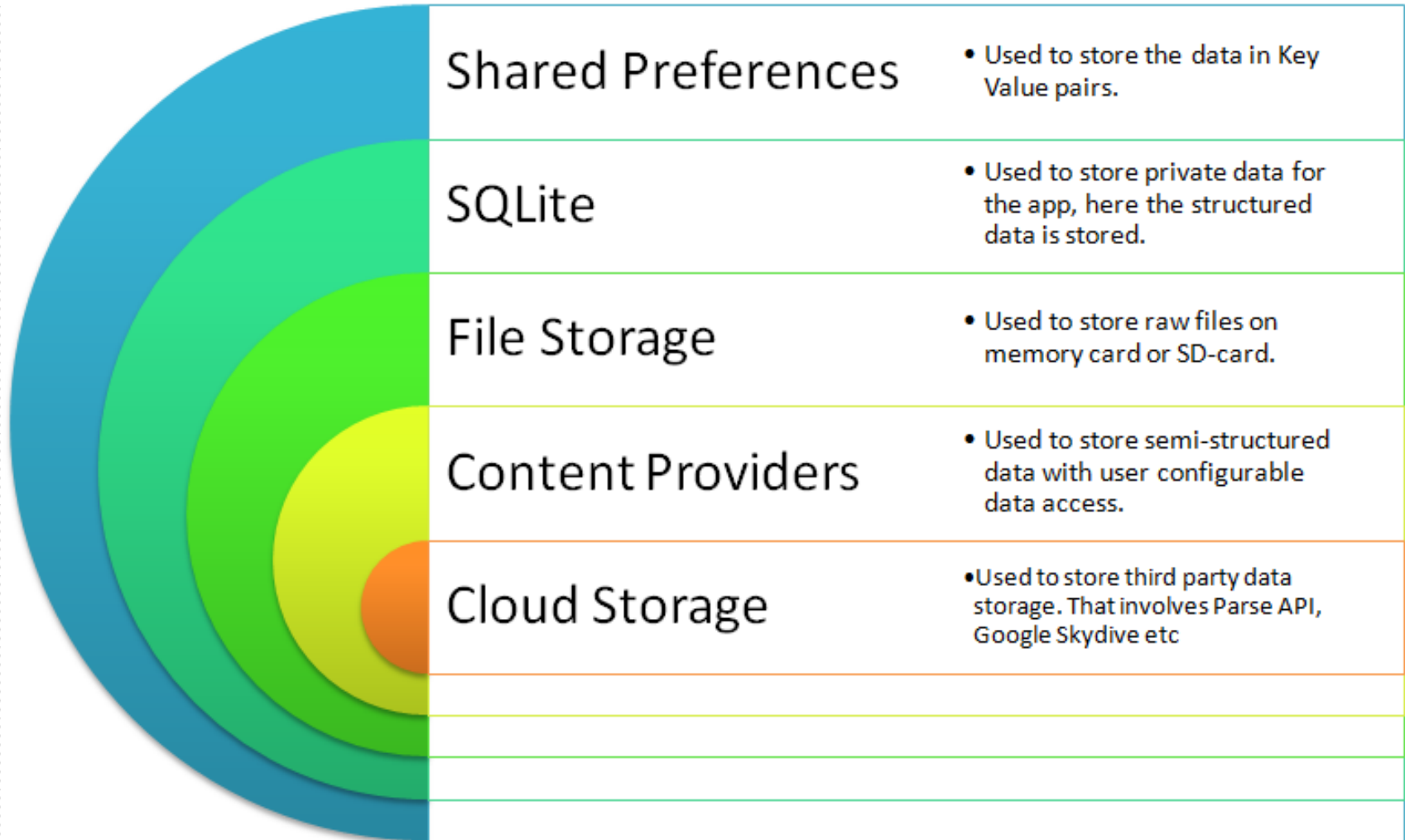
File Storage



Cloud Storage



Different Storage options in Android

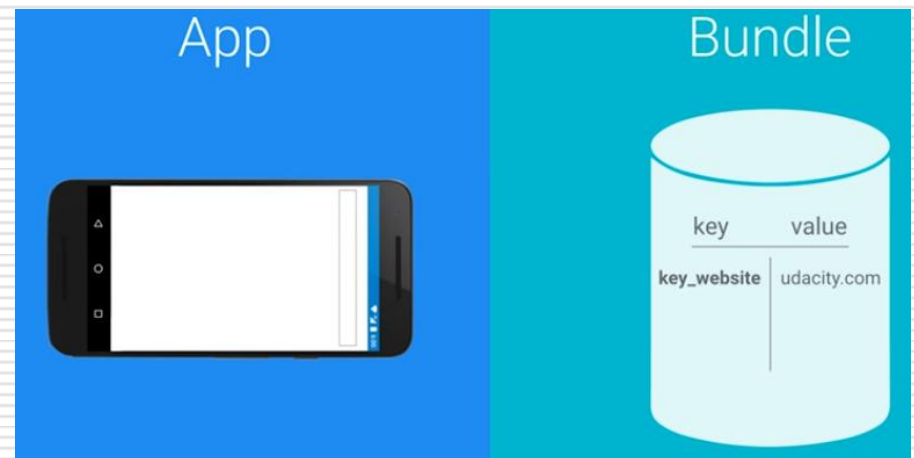
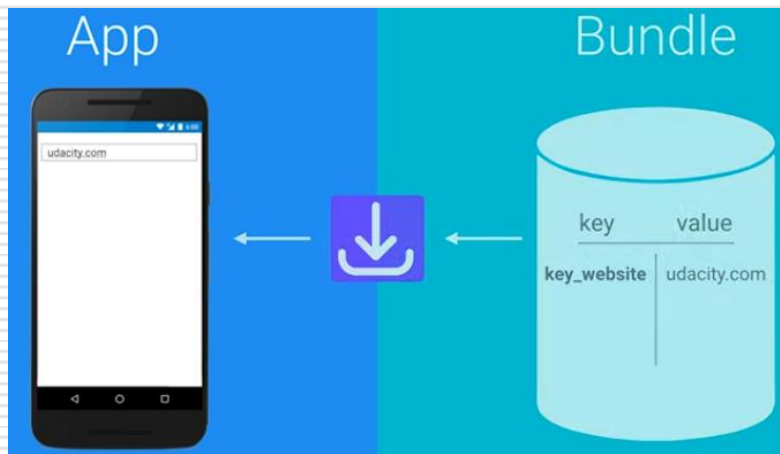


Fur further details on different data storage options in Android

- Visit the following URL
<http://stackoverflow.com/questions/9986734/which-android-data-storage-technique-to-use>

onSavedInstanceState

- To save app state during phone rotation
“onSavedInstanceState” can be used which will store data in key/value pair



Data Persistence Types

Persistence Option	Type of data saved	Length of time saved
onSavedInstanceState	key/value (complex values)	While app is open
SharedPreferences	key/value (primitive values)	Between app and phone restarts
SQLite Database	Organized, more complicated text/numeric/boolean data	Between app and phone restarts
Internal/External storage	Multimedia or larger data	Between app and phone restarts
Server (ex. Firebase)	Data that multiple phones will access	Between app and phone restarts, deleting the app, using a different phone, etc.

What are SharedPreferences ?

- ❑ SharedPreferences is used by apps to save data in **Name-Value Pairs (NVP)**
- ❑ Data is stored in **XML file** in the directory `data/data/<package-name>/shared-prefs` folder
- ❑ Store data such as username, password, theme settings, other application settings
- ❑ SharedPreferences only allows you to save primitive data types (that is boolean, float, long, int and string)

Example

Key	Value
Username	XYZ
Password	ABC123

How to access SharedPreferences?

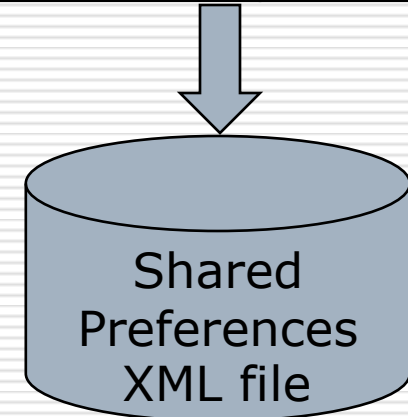
- ❑ If you have only **1 preference file**, call **getPreferences**(int mode)
- ❑ If you have **several files** call **getSharedPreferences**(String name, int mode)
- ❑ **MODE_PRIVATE**: Only your app can access the file
- ❑ **MODE_MULTI_PROCESS**: Multiple processes can modify the same shared preference file

How to use SharedPreferences?

To Store data

1. Get a reference to the SharedPreferences object
 1. For a single file, call **getPreferences(int mode)**
 2. For several files, call **getSharedPreferences(String name, int mode)**
2. Call the editor
3. Use the editor to add the data with a key
4. Commit editor changes

Key	Value
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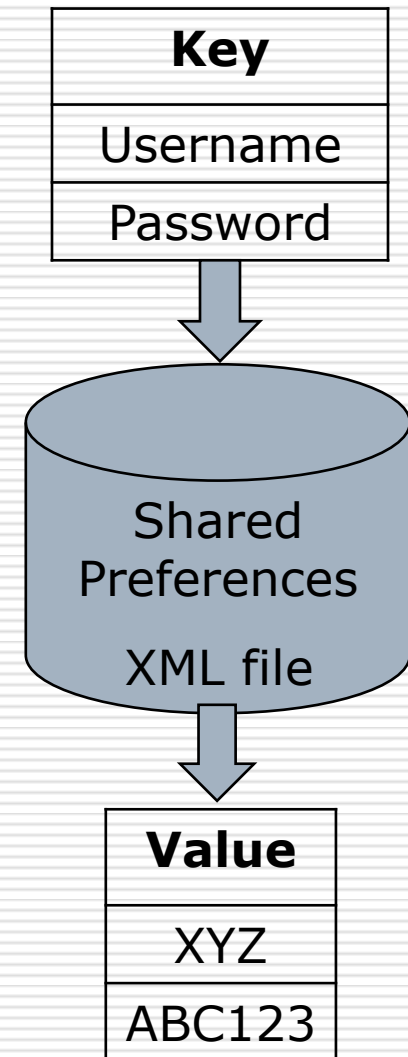


```
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='utf-8' standalone='yes' ?>
<map>
<string name="USERNAME">XYZ</string>
<string name="PASSWORD">ABC123</string>
</map>
```

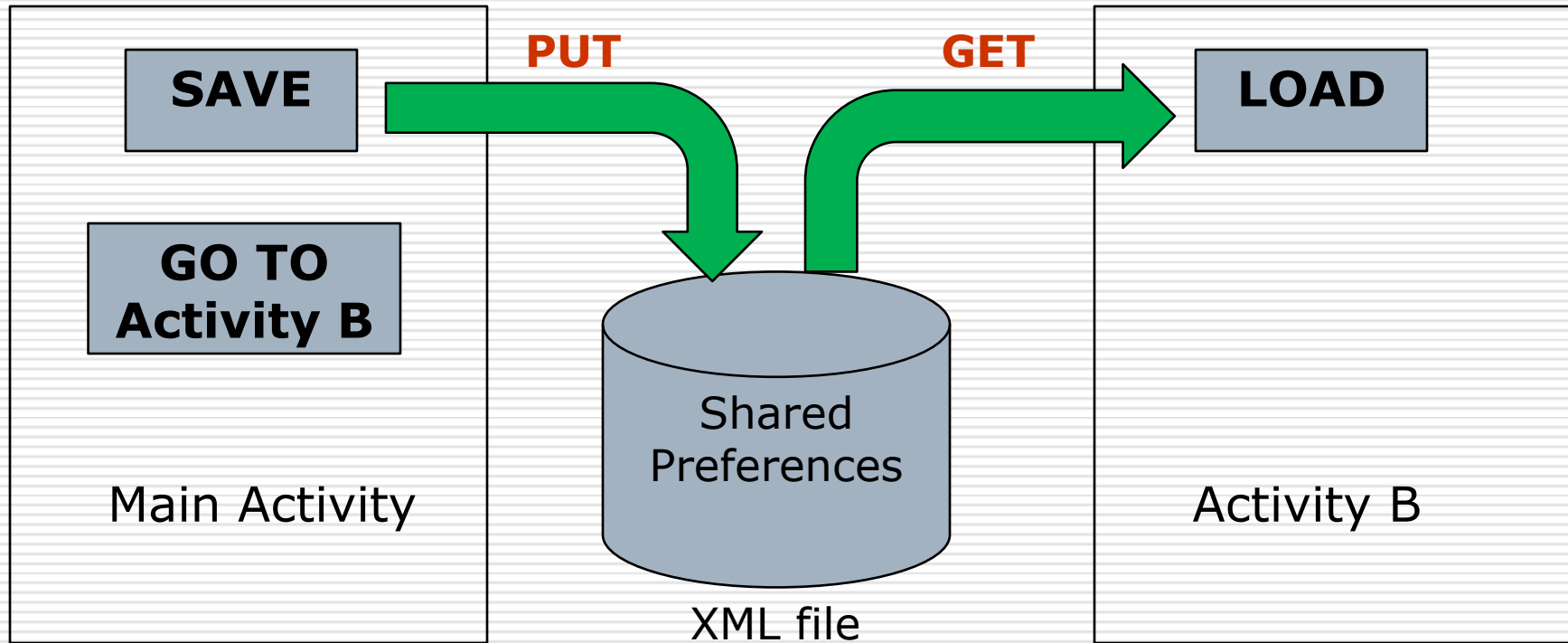
How to use SharedPreferences?

To retrieve data

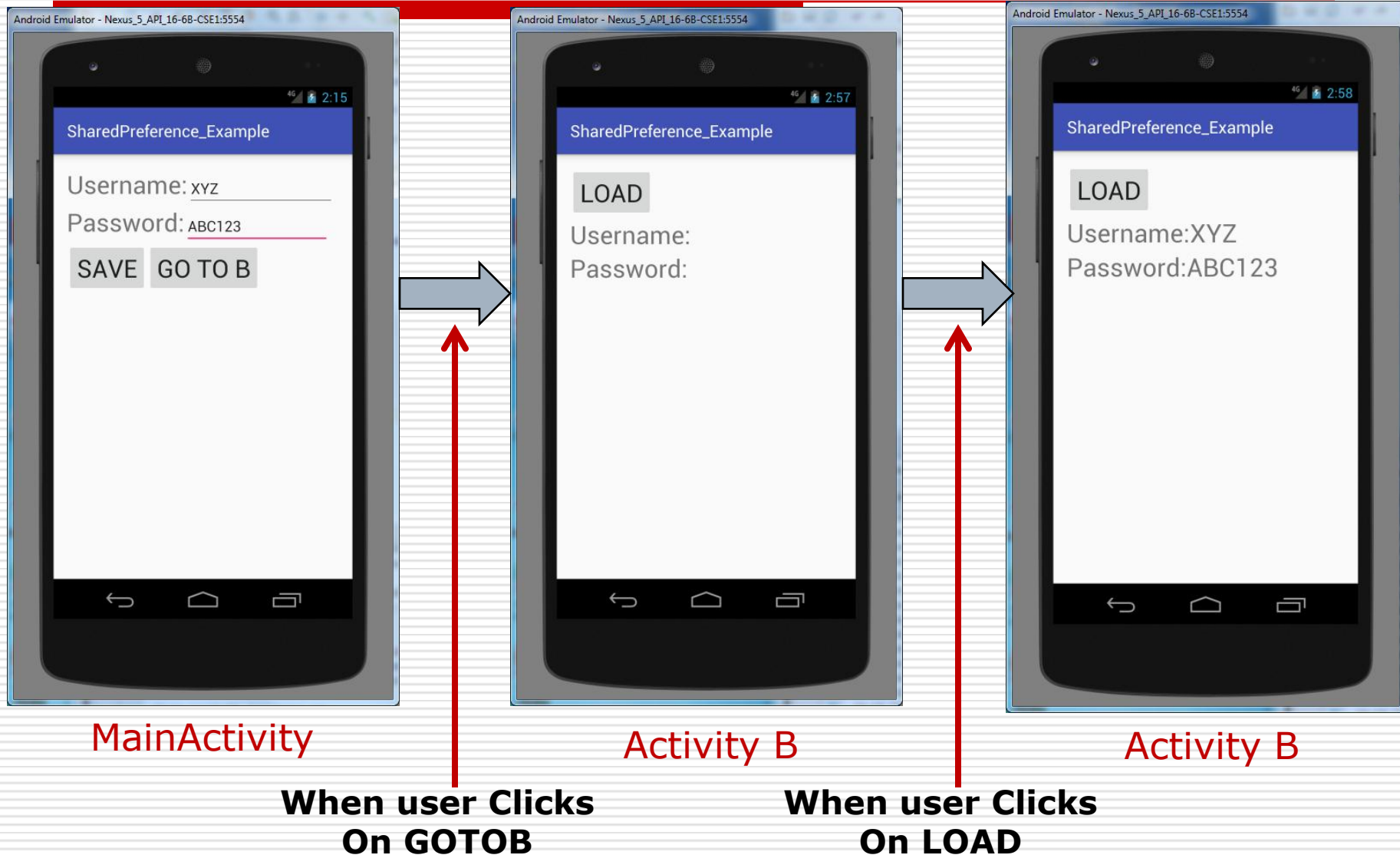
1. Get a reference to the **SharedPreferences** object
 1. For a single file, call **getPreferences(int mode)**
 2. For several files, call **getSharedPreferences(String name, int mode)**
- Use the key provided earlier to get data



Example: SharedPreferences



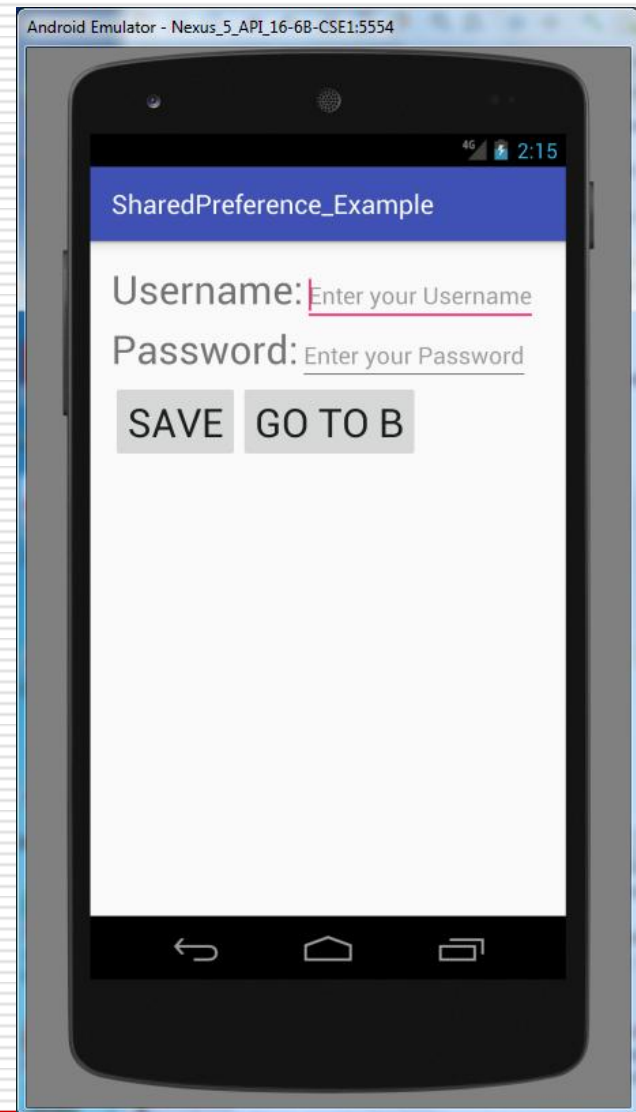
Example: SharedPreferences



activity_main.xml

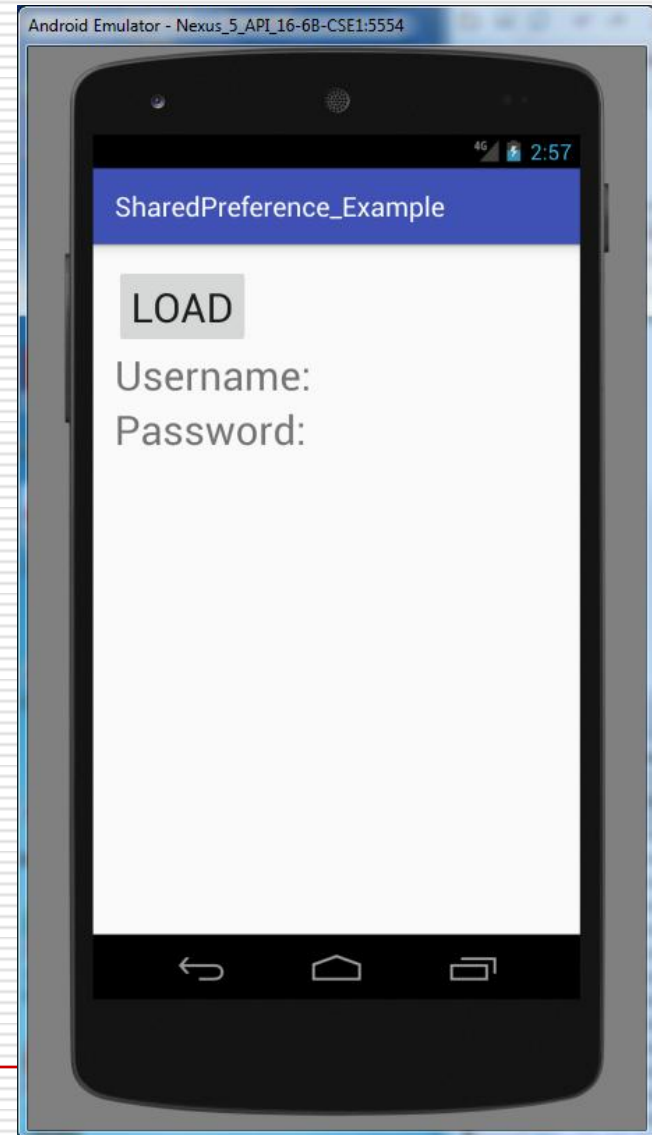
```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:id="@+id/activity_main"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    android:paddingBottom="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
    android:paddingLeft="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
    android:paddingRight="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
    android:paddingTop="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    tools:context="umadevi.example.com.sharedpreference_example.MainActivity">

    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:orientation="horizontal">
        <TextView
            android:id="@+id/textview"
            android:text="Username:"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"/>
        <EditText
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:id="@+id/editText1"
            android:hint="Enter your Username"/>
    </LinearLayout>
    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:orientation="horizontal">
        <TextView
            android:id="@+id/textview2"
            android:text="Password:"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"/>
        <EditText
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:hint="Enter your Password"
            android:id="@+id/editText2"/>
    </LinearLayout>
    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:orientation="horizontal">
        <Button
            android:id="@+id/btnSave"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"
            android:text="Save"
            android:onClick="saveData"/>
        <Button
            android:id="@+id/btnB"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"
            android:text="Go to B"
            android:onClick="GoToB"/>
    </LinearLayout>
</LinearLayout>
```



activity_layout_b.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:id="@+id/activity_main"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    android:paddingBottom="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
    android:paddingLeft="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
    android:paddingRight="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
    android:paddingTop="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    tools:context="umadevi.example.com.sharedpreference_example.ActivityB">
    <Button
        android:id="@+id/btnSave"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:textSize="30sp"
        android:text="Load"
        android:onClick="load"/>
    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:orientation="horizontal">
        <TextView
            android:id="@+id/textview"
            android:text="Username:"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"/>
        <TextView
            android:id="@+id/textviewUsername"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"/>
    </LinearLayout>
    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:orientation="horizontal">
        <TextView
            android:id="@+id/textview2"
            android:text="Password:"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"/>
        <TextView
            android:id="@+id/textviewPasswd"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"/>
    </LinearLayout>
</LinearLayout>
```



MainActivity.java

```
public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {
    EditText userName, passWord;
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
    }
    public void saveData(View v) {
        userName=(EditText)findViewById(R.id.editText1);
        passWord=(EditText)findViewById(R.id.editText2);
        SharedPreferences mySharedPref=getSharedPreferences("myData",
Context.MODE_PRIVATE);

    }
    public void GoToB(View v){

    }}
```

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        SharedPreferences mySharedPref=getSharedPreferences("myData",
        Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
        SharedPreferences.Editor editor=mySharedPref.edit();
        editor.putString("USERNAME",userName.getText().toString());
        editor.putString("PASSWORD",passWord.getText().toString());

    }
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    }}
}
```

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        editor.putString("USERNAME",userName.getText().toString());
        editor.putString("PASSWORD",passWord.getText().toString());
        editor.commit();
    }
    public void GoToB(View v){

    }}
```

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        passWord=(EditText)findViewById(R.id.editText2);
        SharedPreferences mySharedPref=getSharedPreferences("myData",
        Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
        SharedPreferences.Editor editor=mySharedPref.edit();
        editor.putString("USERNAME",userName.getText().toString());
        editor.putString("PASSWORD",passWord.getText().toString());
        editor.commit();
    }
    public void GoToB(View v){
        Intent i=new Intent(MainActivity.this,ActivityB.class);
        startActivity(i); }}
```

ActivityB.java

```
public class ActivityB extends AppCompatActivity {
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_layout_b);
    }
    public void load(View v) {
        TextView user,pwd;
        user=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewUsername);
        pwd=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewPasswd);
        SharedPreferences mySharedPref=getSharedPreferences("myData",
                                                    Context.MODE_PRIVATE);

    }}
```

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public class ActivityB extends AppCompatActivity {
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_layout_b);
    }
    public void load(View v) {
        TextView user,pwd;
        user=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewUsername);
        pwd=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewPasswd);
        SharedPreferences mySharedPref=getSharedPreferences("myData",
                                                    Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
        String username=mySharedPref.getString("USERNAME","");
        String password=mySharedPref.getString("PASSWORD","");

    }}
```

ActivityB.java

```
public class ActivityB extends AppCompatActivity {
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_layout_b);
    }
    public void load(View v) {
        TextView user,pwd;
        user=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewUsername);
        pwd=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewPasswd);
        SharedPreferences mySharedPref=getSharedPreferences("myData",
                                                    Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
        String username=mySharedPref.getString("USERNAME","");
        String password=mySharedPref.getString("PASSWORD","");
        user.setText(username);
        pwd.setText(password); }}
```

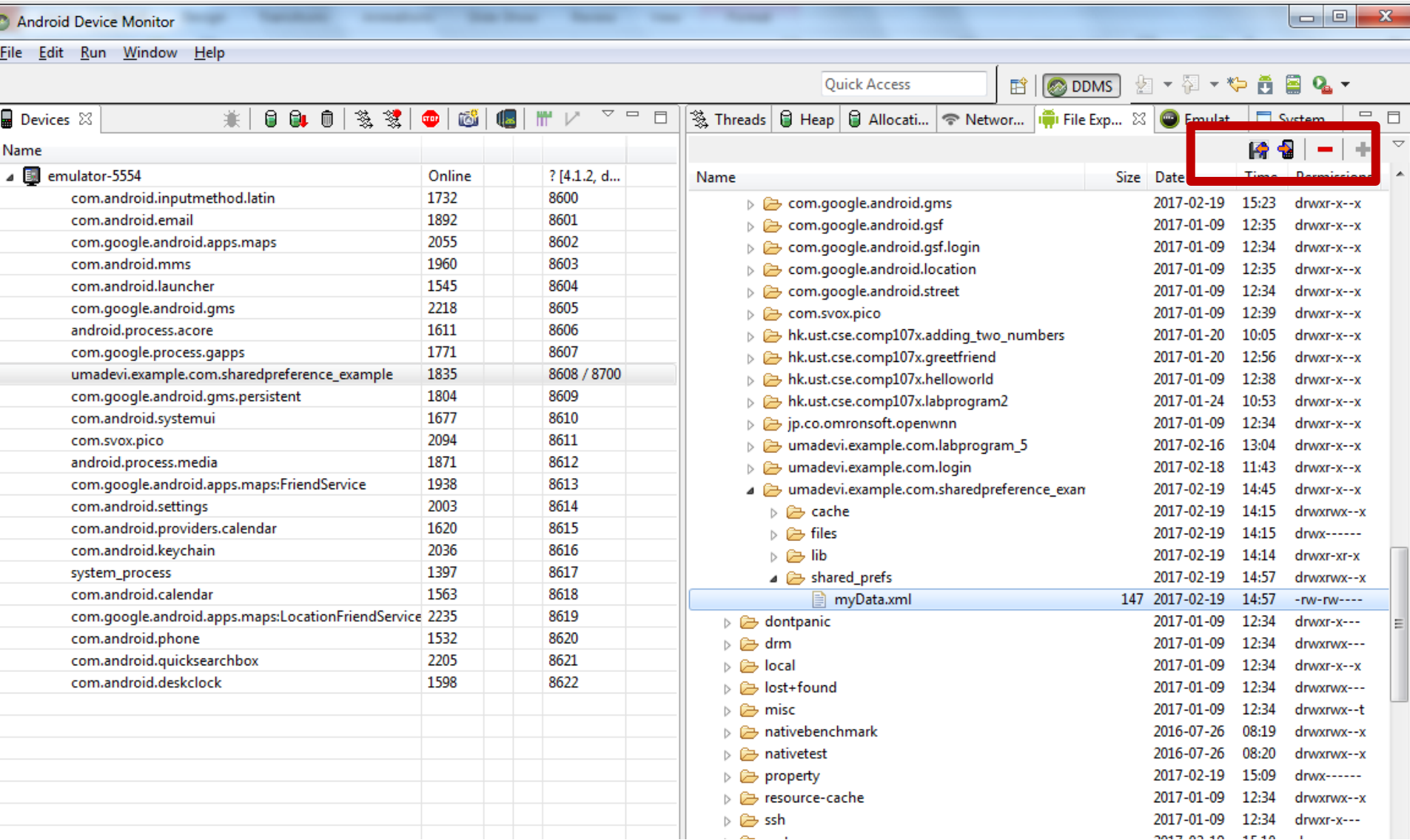
View SharedPreferences XML file in Android Studio

- tools -> Android Device Monitor -> clicking on the emulator in the left panel -> file explorer -> data -> data -> com.project-name

The screenshot shows the Android Studio interface. The 'Android Device Monitor' window is open, displaying a list of installed packages for the emulator 'emulator-5554'. The 'File Explorer' window is also open, showing the file structure of the selected package 'umadevi.example.com.sharedpreference_exan'. The file 'myData.xml' is highlighted under the 'shared_prefs' directory.

Name	Size	Date	Time	Permissions
com.google.android.gms		2017-02-19	15:19	drwxr-x--x
com.google.android.gsf		2017-01-09	12:35	drwxr-x--x
com.google.android.gsf.login		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x
com.google.android.location		2017-01-09	12:35	drwxr-x--x
com.google.android.street		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x
com.svox.pico		2017-01-09	12:39	drwxr-x--x
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.adding_two_numbers		2017-01-20	10:05	drwxr-x--x
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.greetfriend		2017-01-20	12:56	drwxr-x--x
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.helloworld		2017-01-09	12:38	drwxr-x--x
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.labprogram2		2017-01-24	10:53	drwxr-x--x
jp.co.omronsoft.openwnn		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x
umadevi.example.com.labprogram_5		2017-02-16	13:04	drwxr-x--x
umadevi.example.com.login		2017-02-18	11:43	drwxr-x--x
umadevi.example.com.sharedpreference_exan		2017-02-19	14:45	drwxr-x--x
cache		2017-02-19	14:15	drwxrwx--x
files		2017-02-19	14:15	drwx-----
lib		2017-02-19	14:14	drwxr-xr-x
shared_prefs		2017-02-19	14:57	drwxrwx--x
myData.xml	147	2017-02-19	14:57	-rw-rw----
dontpanic		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x
drm		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxrwx--x
local		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x
lost+found		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxrwx--x
misc		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxrwx--x
nativebenchmark		2016-07-26	08:19	drwxrwx--x
nativetest		2016-07-26	08:20	drwxrwx--x
property		2017-02-19	15:09	drwx-----
resource-cache		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxrwx--x
cch		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x

Inside "Android Device Monitor" window click on the right corner to pull SharedPreferences XML file



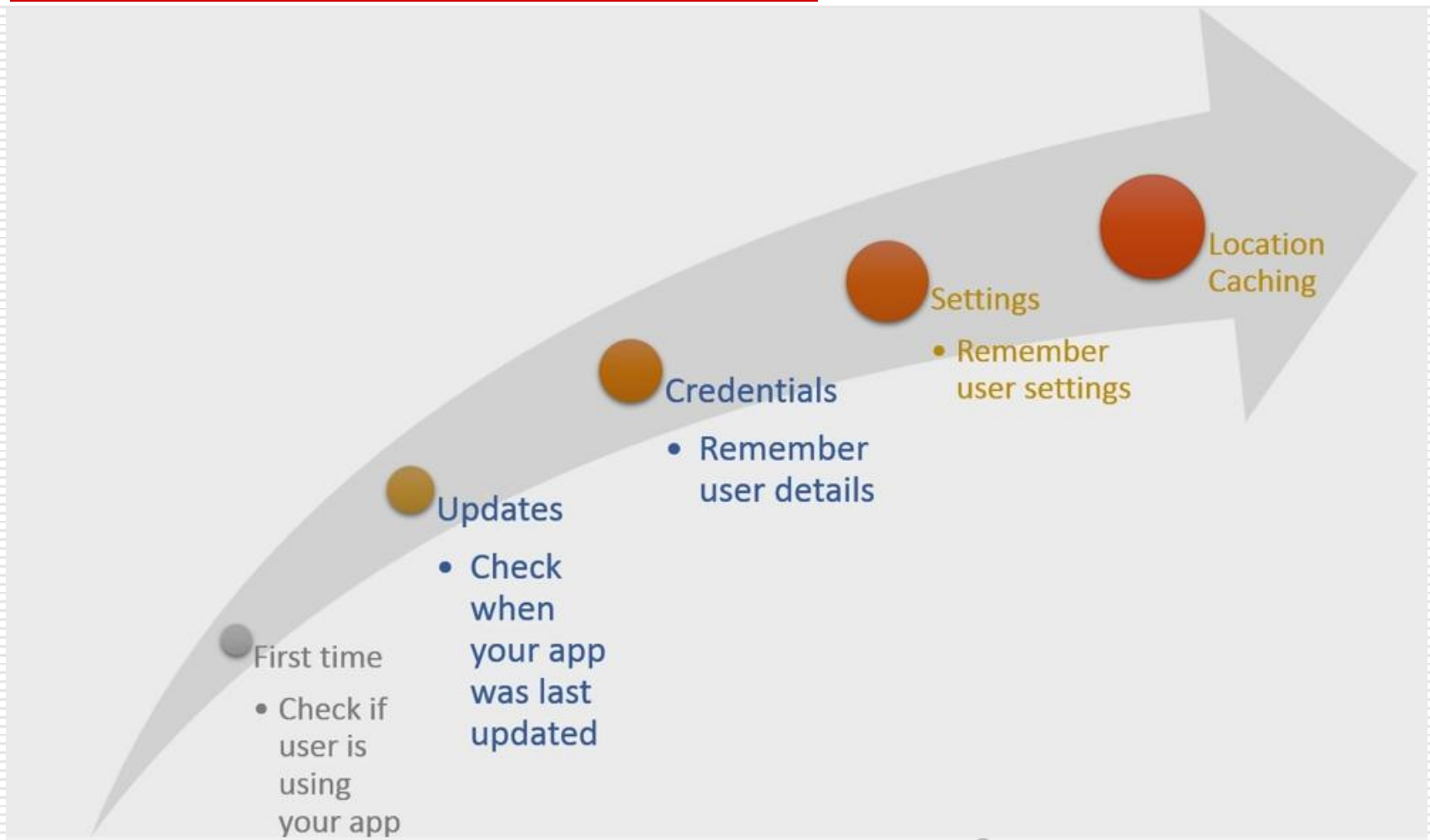
The screenshot shows the Android Studio interface with the Android Device Monitor window open. The 'emulator-5554' device is selected. The 'SharedPreferences' tab is active, showing a list of shared preferences. The 'umadevi.example.com.sharedpreference_example' preference is selected, and its XML file 'myData.xml' is highlighted in the file explorer on the right. A red box highlights the 'pull' icon in the top right corner of the file explorer.

Name	Size	Date	Time	Permissions
com.google.android.gms		2017-02-19	15:23	drwxr-x--x
com.google.android.gsf		2017-01-09	12:35	drwxr-x--x
com.google.android.gsf.login		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x
com.google.android.location		2017-01-09	12:35	drwxr-x--x
com.google.android.street		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x
com.svox.pico		2017-01-09	12:39	drwxr-x--x
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.adding_two_numbers		2017-01-20	10:05	drwxr-x--x
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.greetfriend		2017-01-20	12:56	drwxr-x--x
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.helloworld		2017-01-09	12:38	drwxr-x--x
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.labprogram2		2017-01-24	10:53	drwxr-x--x
jp.co.omronsoft.openwnn		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x
umadevi.example.com.labprogram_5		2017-02-16	13:04	drwxr-x--x
umadevi.example.com.login		2017-02-18	11:43	drwxr-x--x
umadevi.example.com.sharedpreference_exan		2017-02-19	14:45	drwxr-x--x
cache		2017-02-19	14:15	drwxrwx--x
files		2017-02-19	14:15	drwx-----
lib		2017-02-19	14:14	drwxr-xr-x
shared_prefs		2017-02-19	14:57	drwxrwx--x
myData.xml	147	2017-02-19	14:57	-rw-rw----
dontpanic		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x---
drm		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxrwx---
local		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x
lost+found		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxrwx---
misc		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxrwx--t
nativebenchmark		2016-07-26	08:19	drwxrwx--x
nativetest		2016-07-26	08:20	drwxrwx--x
property		2017-02-19	15:09	drwx-----
resource-cache		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxrwx--x
ssh		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x---

SahredPreference XML file **myData.xml**

```
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='utf-8' standalone='yes' ?>  
<map>  
<string name="USERNAME">XYZ</string>  
<string name="PASSWORD">ABC123</string>  
</map>
```

Some uses of SharedPreferences



INTRODUCING THE PREFERENCE FRAMEWORK AND THE PREFERENCE ACTIVITY

Preference API's

- ❑ During the development of mobile applications, a common requirement is of storing app related data to the phone.
- ❑ In Android we perform this task with the help of **Preference APIs**.
- ❑ We may also need settings that allow users to modify preferences in app. Thankfully Android provides a powerful **framework** to **manage user preferences**.

Preference Framework

Preference Framework we have four components to cover, they are:

- ❑ **Preference Activity or Fragment** – these host the Preference Screen, displaying your settings. We may use any one (Activity or Fragment) as per our requirement.
- ❑ **Preference XML** – a xml file defining your settings items.
- ❑ **Preference Headers** – these are lists of subscreens. An xml file defines the Preference Fragments used for the Headers subscreens.
- ❑ **Shared Preference Change Listener** – listens for any changes in the Shared Preference values.

Defining a Preference Screen Layout in XML

- Each preference layout is defined as a hierarchy, beginning with a single PreferenceScreen

element:

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<PreferenceScreen
xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android">
</PreferenceScreen>
```

- Preference Category elements, as shown in the following snippet, are used to break each Preference Screen into subcategories using a title bar separator:

```
<PreferenceCategory
android:title="My Preference Category"/>
```

Preference Control Attributes

- `android:key` — The Shared Preference key against which the selected value will be recorded.
- `android:title` — The text displayed to represent the preference.
- `android:summary` — The longer text description displayed in a smaller font below the title text.
- `android:defaultValue` — The default value that will be displayed (and elected) if no preference value has been assigned to the associated preference key.

Native Preference Controls

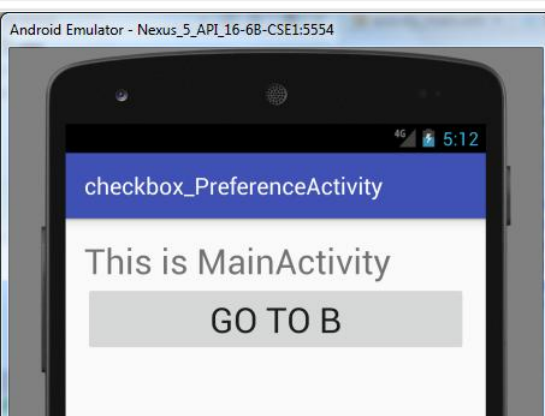
- ❑ **CheckBoxPreference** — A standard preference check box control used to set preferences to true or false.
- ❑ **EditTextPreference** — Allows users to enter a string value as a preference. Selecting the preference text at run time will display a text-entry dialog.
- ❑ **ListPreference** — The preference equivalent of a spinner. Selecting this preference will display a dialog box containing a list of values from which to select. You can specify different arrays to contain the display text and selection values.
- ❑ **MultiSelectListPreference** — Introduced in Android 3.0 (API level 11), this is the preference equivalent of a check box list.
- ❑ **RingtonePreference** — A specialized List Preference that presents the list of available ringtones for user selection. This is particularly useful when you're constructing a screen to configure notification settings.

To Do

Open your Mobile Phones
Click on Settings, do few settings, Close
Open once again Settings

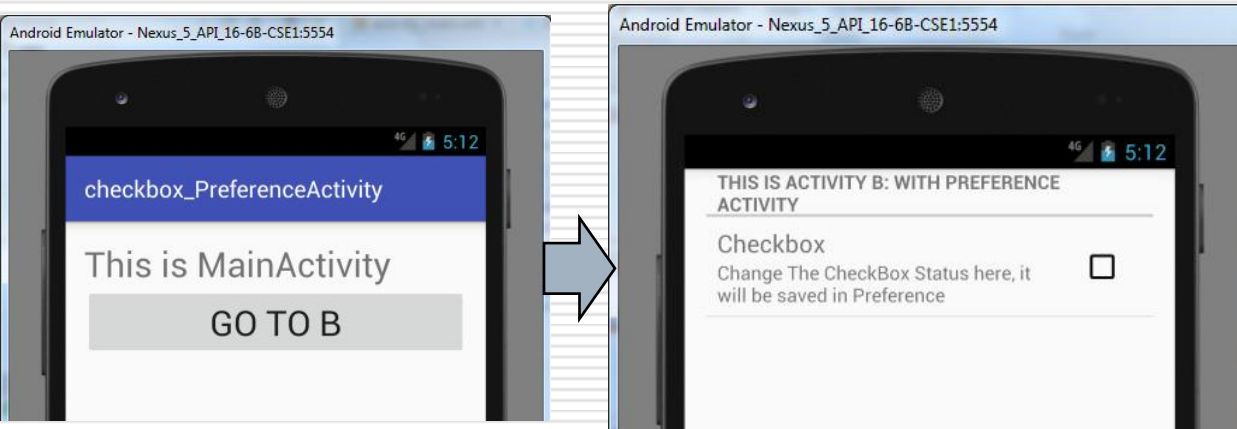
Output with PreferenceActivity

Click on
"Go To B"



Output with PreferenceActivity

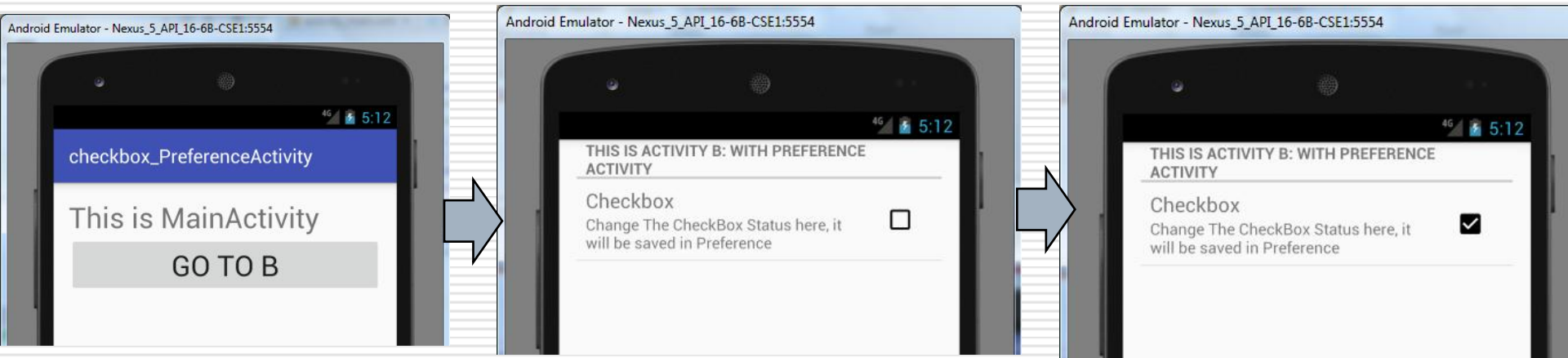
Click on
"Go To B"



Output with PreferenceActivity

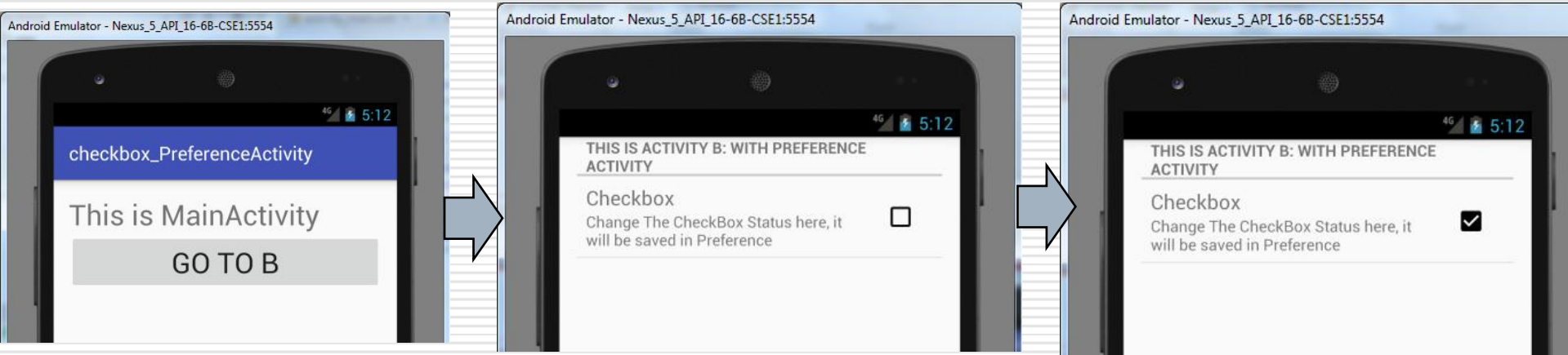
Click on
"Go To B"

Check the
Checkbox



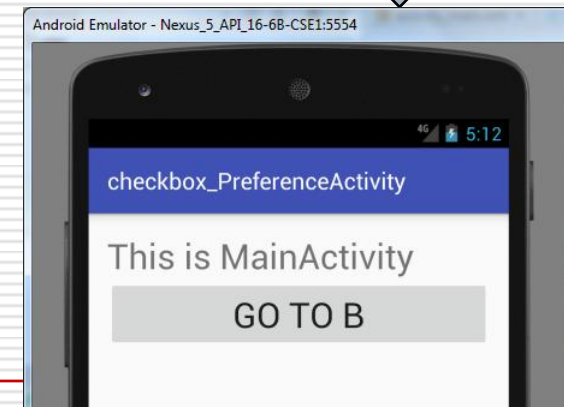
Output with PreferenceActivity

Click on
"Go To B"



Check the
Checkbox

Pressback
Button



Output with PreferenceActivity

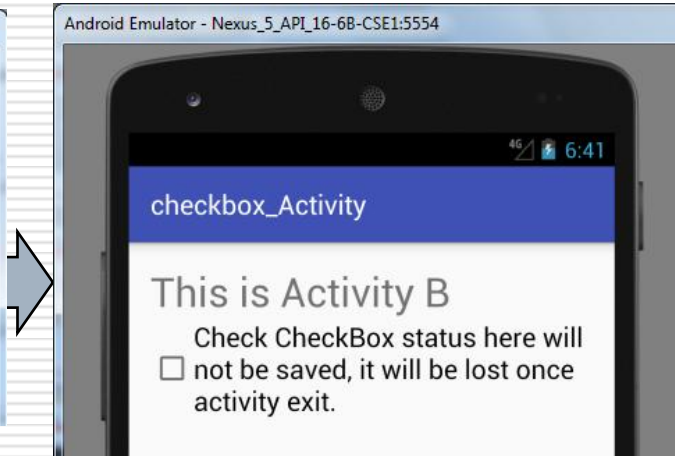
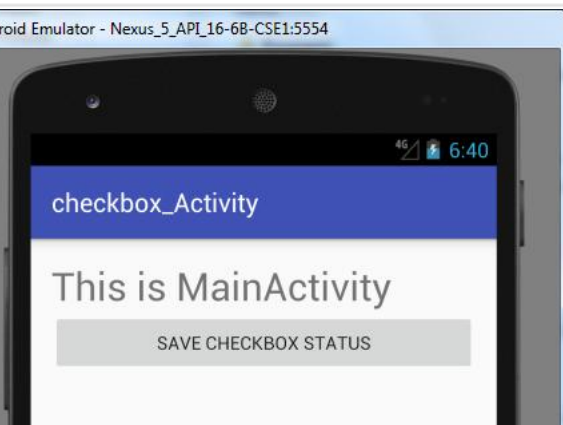
Click on
"Go To B"

Check the
Checkbox

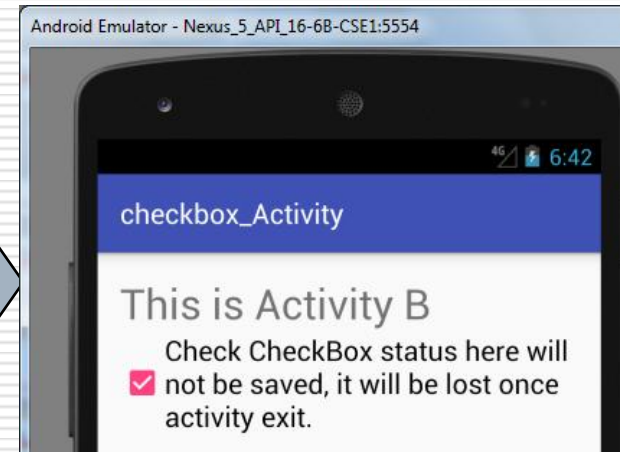


Output without PreferenceActivity

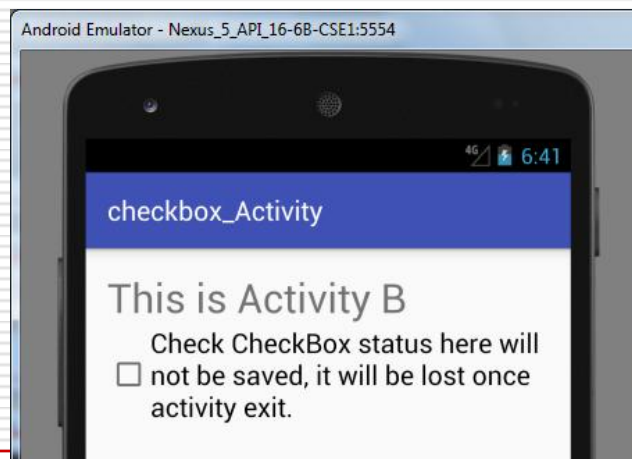
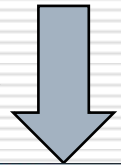
Click on "Go To B
(Save CheckBoxStatus)"



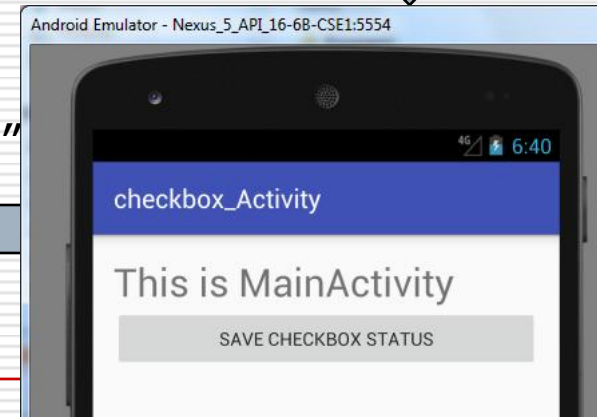
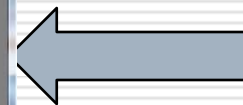
Check the
Checkbox



Pressback
Button



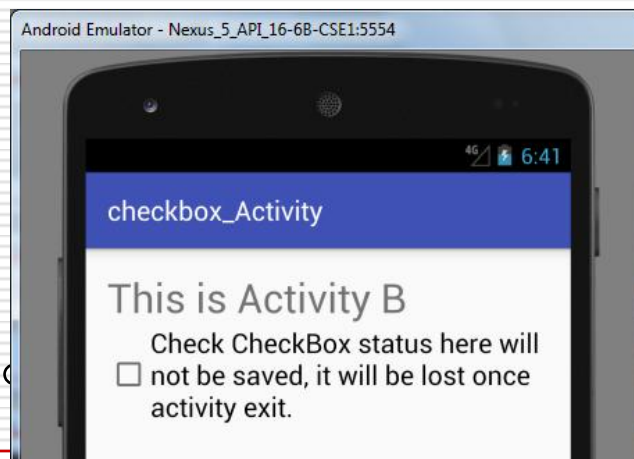
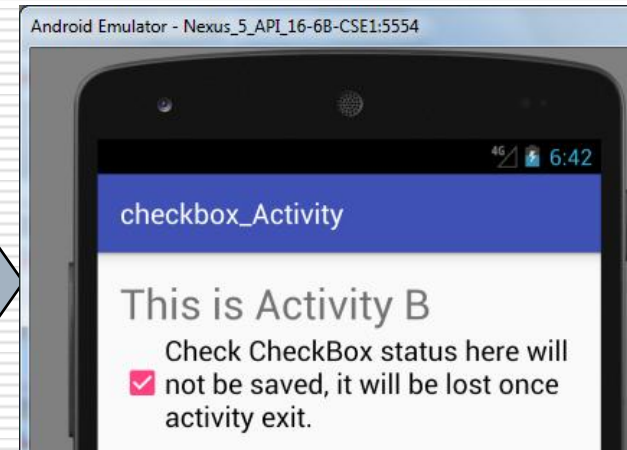
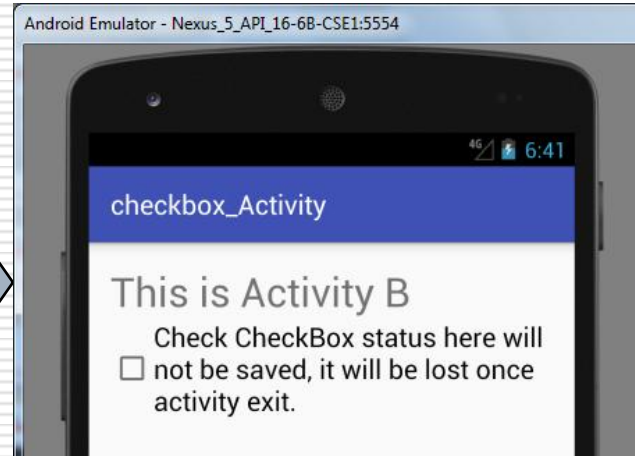
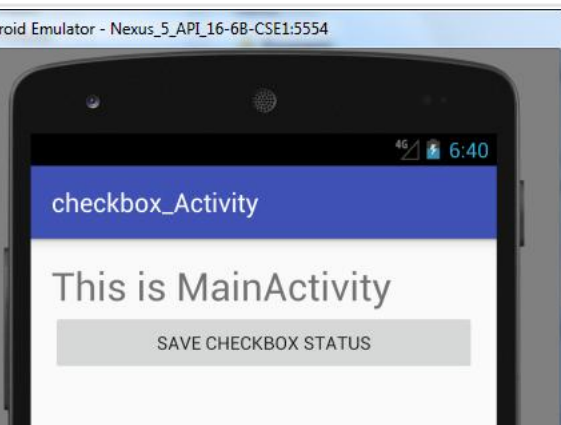
Click on
"Go To B"



Output without PreferenceActivity

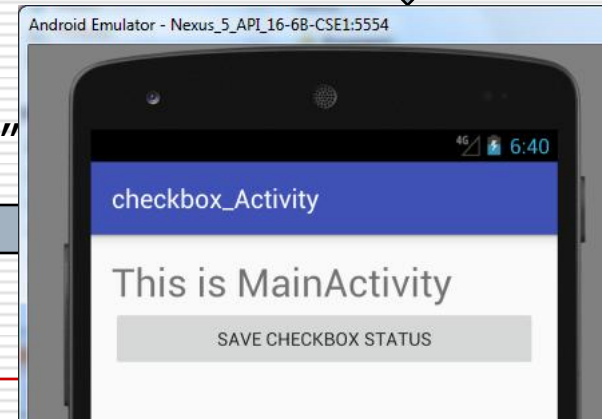
Click on "Go To B
(Save CheckBoxStatus)"

Check the
Checkbox



Click on
"Go To B"

Pressback
Button



Saving checkbox status without Preference Activity

activity_layout_b.xml

```
<LinearLayout.....
```

```
<TextView
```

```
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
```

```
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
```

```
    android:text="This is Activity B"
```

```
    android:textSize="30sp"/>
```

```
<CheckBox
```

```
    android:id="@+id/checkbox"
```

```
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
```

```
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
```

```
    android:defaultValue="false"
```

```
    android:text="Check CheckBox status here will not be saved, it will be  
lost once activity exit."
```

```
    android:textSize="20sp"/>
```

```
</LinearLayout>
```

ActivityB.java

```
public class ActivityB extends AppCompatActivity {  
  
    @Override  
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_layout_b);  
    }  
}
```

activity_main.xml

```
<LinearLayout .....
```

```
  <TextView
```

```
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
```

```
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
```

```
    android:text="This is MainActivity"
```

```
    android:textSize="30sp"/>
```

```
  <Button
```

```
    android:id="@+id/setpreference"
```

```
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
```

```
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
```

```
    android:text="Go To B/ Save Checkbox Status"
```

```
    android:onClick="loadActivityB"/>
```

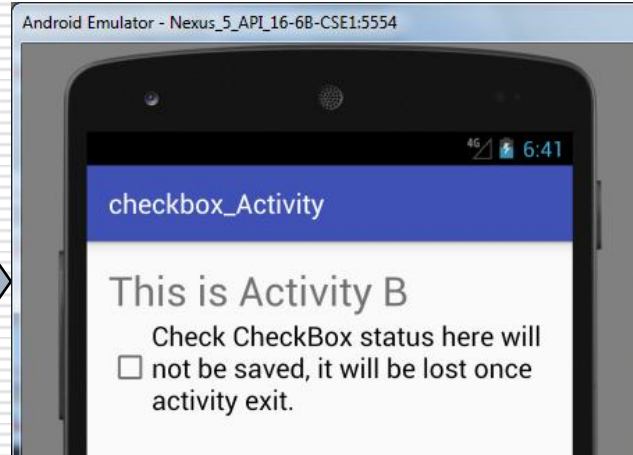
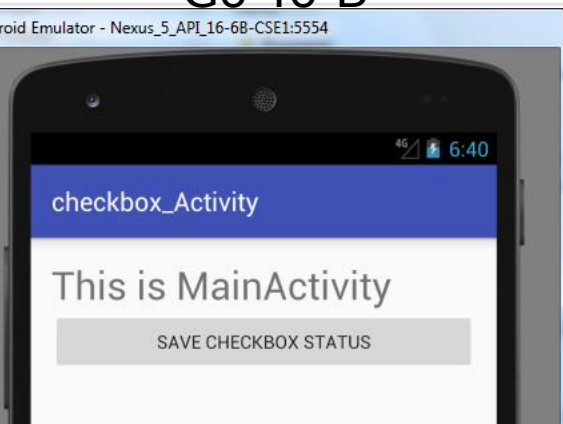
```
</LinearLayout>
```

MainActivity.java

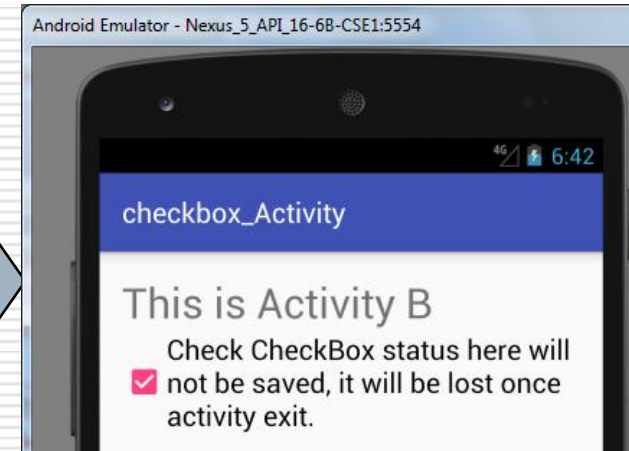
```
public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {  
  
    @Override  
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);  
    }  
    public void loadActivityB(View v){  
        Intent i=new Intent(MainActivity.this, ActivityB.class);  
        startActivity(i);  
    }  
}
```

Output

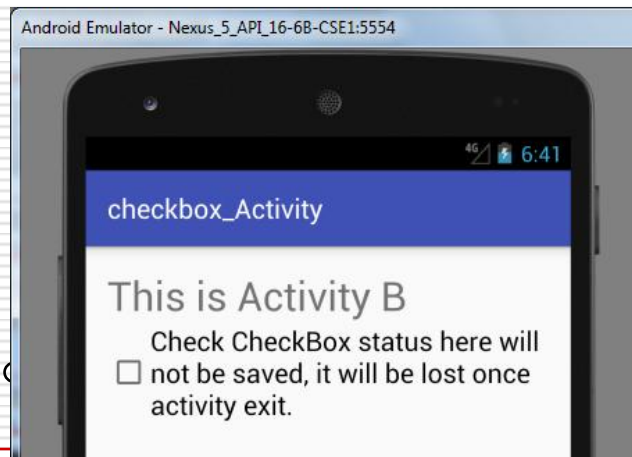
Click on
"Go To B"



Check the
Checkbox

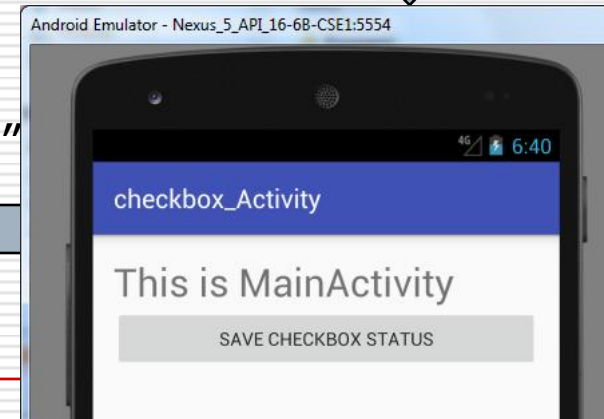


Checkbox
status
has not
been
saved



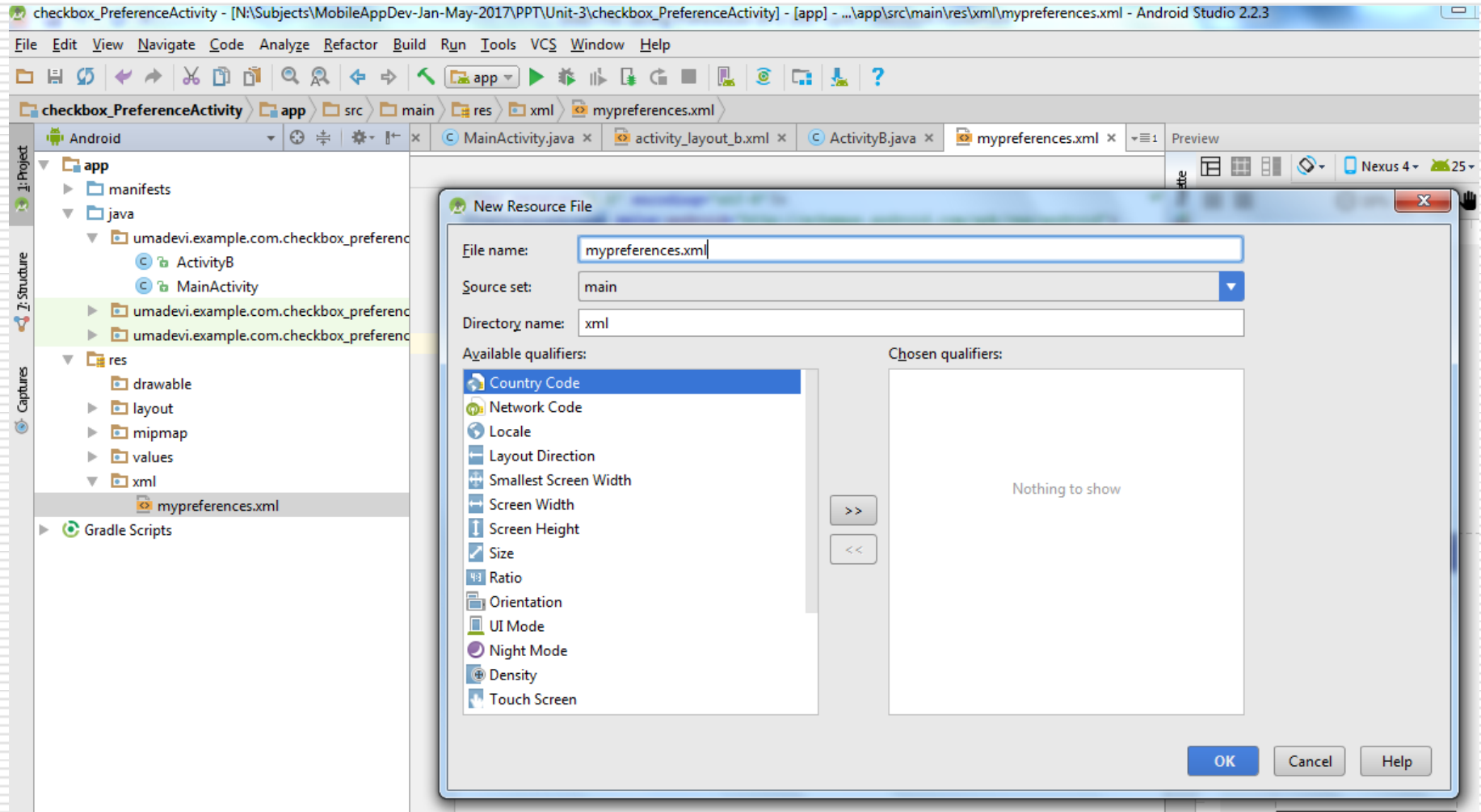
Pressback
Button

Click on
"Go To B"



Saving checkbox status using **Preference Activity**

Create "xml" folder under res/ directory and create xml file "mypreferences.xml"



mypreference.xml

<PreferenceScreen

xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android">

<CheckBoxPreference

android:key="mypreference_checkbox"

android:title="Checkbox"

android:defaultValue="false"

android:summary="Change The CheckBox Status here, it will be saved in Preference"/>

</PreferenceScreen>

activity_layout_b.xml

```
<LinearLayout
xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
  xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
  android:id="@+id/activity_layout_b"
  android:layout_width="match_parent"
  android:layout_height="match_parent"
  android:paddingBottom="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
  android:paddingLeft="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
  android:paddingRight="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
  android:paddingTop="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
  android:orientation="vertical"
tools:context="umadevi.example.com.checkbox_preferenceactivity.Activity
B">

</LinearLayout>
```

ActivityB.java

```
public class ActivityB extends PreferenceActivity {  
  
    @Override  
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        //setContentView(R.layout.activity_layout_b);  
        addPreferencesFromResource(R.xml.mypreferences);  
    }  
}
```

activity_main.xml

<LinearLayout.....

<TextView

```
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
    android:text="This is MainActivity"  
    android:textSize="30sp"/>
```

<Button

```
    android:id="@+id/setpreference"  
    android:layout_width="match_parent"  
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"  
    android:text="Go To B"  
    android:textSize="30sp"  
    android:onClick="loadActivityB"/>
```

</LinearLayout>

MainActivity.java

```
public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {  
  
    @Override  
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);  
    }  
    public void loadActivityB(View v){  
        Intent i=new Intent(MainActivity.this, ActivityB.class);  
        startActivity(i);  
    }  
}
```

Output

Click on
"Go To B"

Check the
Checkbox



Difference

```
public class ActivityB extends PreferenceActivity {  
    @Override  
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        addPreferencesFromResource(R.xml.mypreferences);  
    }  
}
```

```
public class ActivityB extends AppCompatActivity {  
    @Override  
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_layout_b);  
    }  
}
```

Difference

mypreferences.xml

```
<PreferenceScreen
xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android">
  <CheckBoxPreference
    android:key="mypreference_checkbox"
    android:title="Checkbox"
    android:defaultValue="false"
    android:summary="Change The CheckBox Status here, it will be
saved in Preference"/>
</PreferenceScreen>
```

```
<LinearLaoyout.....
<CheckBox
  android:id="@+id/checkbox"
  android:layout_width="match_parent"
  android:layout_height="wrap_content"
  android:defaultValue="false"
  android:text="Check CheckBox status here will not be saved, it will be
lost once activity exit."
  android:textSize="20sp"/>
</LinearLayout>
```

umadevi.example.com.user_preference_settings_preferences.xml

```
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='utf-8' standalone='yes' ?>
<map>
  <boolean name="mypreference_checkbox"
  value="true" />
</map>
```

Preference Fragment

- ❑ PreferenceFragment class has been used to host the preference screens defined by Preferences Screen resources. To create a new Preference Fragment, extend the PreferenceFragment class, as follows:

```
public class MyPreferenceFragment extends PreferenceFragment
```

- ❑ To inflate the preferences, override the onCreate handler and call addPreferencesFromResource, as shown here:

```
@Override
```

```
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
    addPreferencesFromResource(R.xml.userpreferences);  
}
```

- ❑ Your application can include several different Preference Fragments, which will be grouped according to the Preference Header hierarchy and displayed within a Preference Activity.

Finding and Using the Shared Preferences Set by Preference Screens

- The Shared Preference values recorded for the options presented in a Preference Activity are stored within the application's sandbox. This lets any application component, including Activities, Services, and Broadcast Receivers, access the values, as shown in the following snippet:

```
Context context = getApplicationContext();
```

```
SharedPreferences prefs = PreferenceManager.getDefaultSharedPreferences(context);
```

```
// TODO Retrieve values using get<type> methods.
```

- The `onSharedPreferenceChangeListener` can be implemented to invoke a callback whenever a particular Shared Preference value is added, removed, or modified.
- Register your On Shared Preference Change Listeners using the Shared Preference you want to monitor:

```
public class MyActivity extends Activity implements
```

```
OnSharedPreferenceChangeListener {
```

```
@Override
```

```
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
```

```
super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
```

```
// Register this OnSharedPreferenceChangeListener
```

```
SharedPreferences prefs =
```

```
PreferenceManager.getDefaultSharedPreferences(this);
```

```
prefs.registerOnSharedPreferenceChangeListener(this);
```

```
}
```

```
public void onSharedPreferenceChanged(SharedPreferences prefs,
```

```
String key) {
```

```
// TODO Check the shared preference and key parameters
```

```
// and change UI or behavior as appropriate.
```

```
} }
```

INCLUDING STATIC FILES AS RESOURCES

- ❑ If your application requires external file resources, you can include them in your distribution package by placing them in the `res/raw` folder of your project hierarchy.
- ❑ To access these read-only file resources, call the `openRawResource` method from your application's `Resource` object to receive an `InputStream` based on the specified file. Pass in the filename (without the extension) as the variable name from the `R.raw` class, as shown in the following skeleton code:
 - ❑ `Resources myResources = getResources();`
 - ❑ `InputStream myFile = myResources.openRawResource(R.raw.myfilename);`

Using Application-Specific Folders to Store Files

- ❑ Many applications will create or download files that are specific to the application. There are two options for storing these application-specific files: internally or externally.
- ❑ Android offers two corresponding methods via the application Context, `getDir` and `getExternalFilesDir`, both of which return a File object that contains the path to the internal and external application file storage directory, respectively.

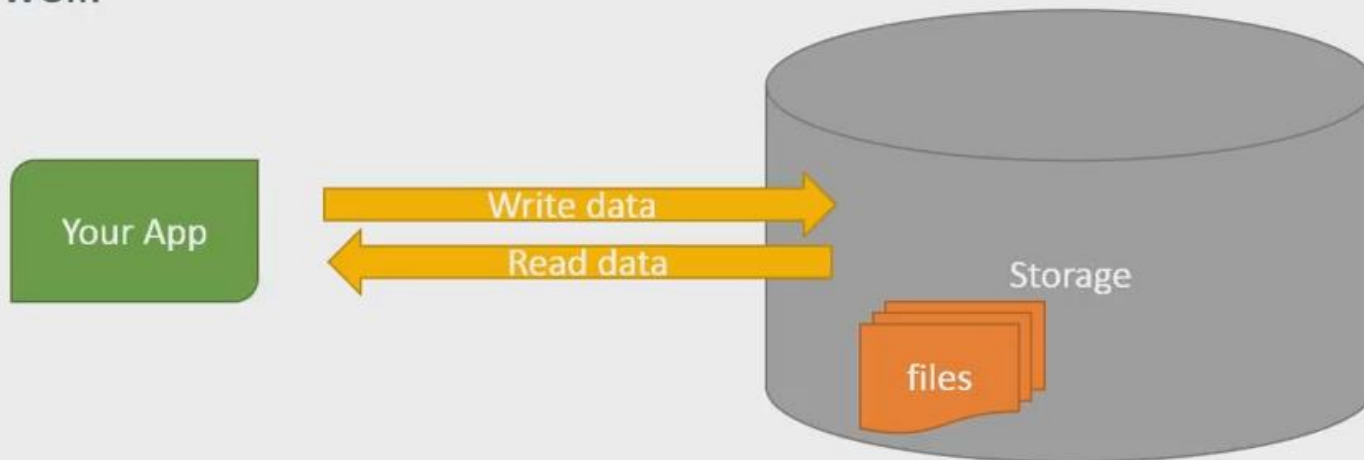
To Do

- Open your Mobile Phones and check
- What are the different memory storage options are available ? What are default storage folders available ?

File Storage on Primary memory (Internal)

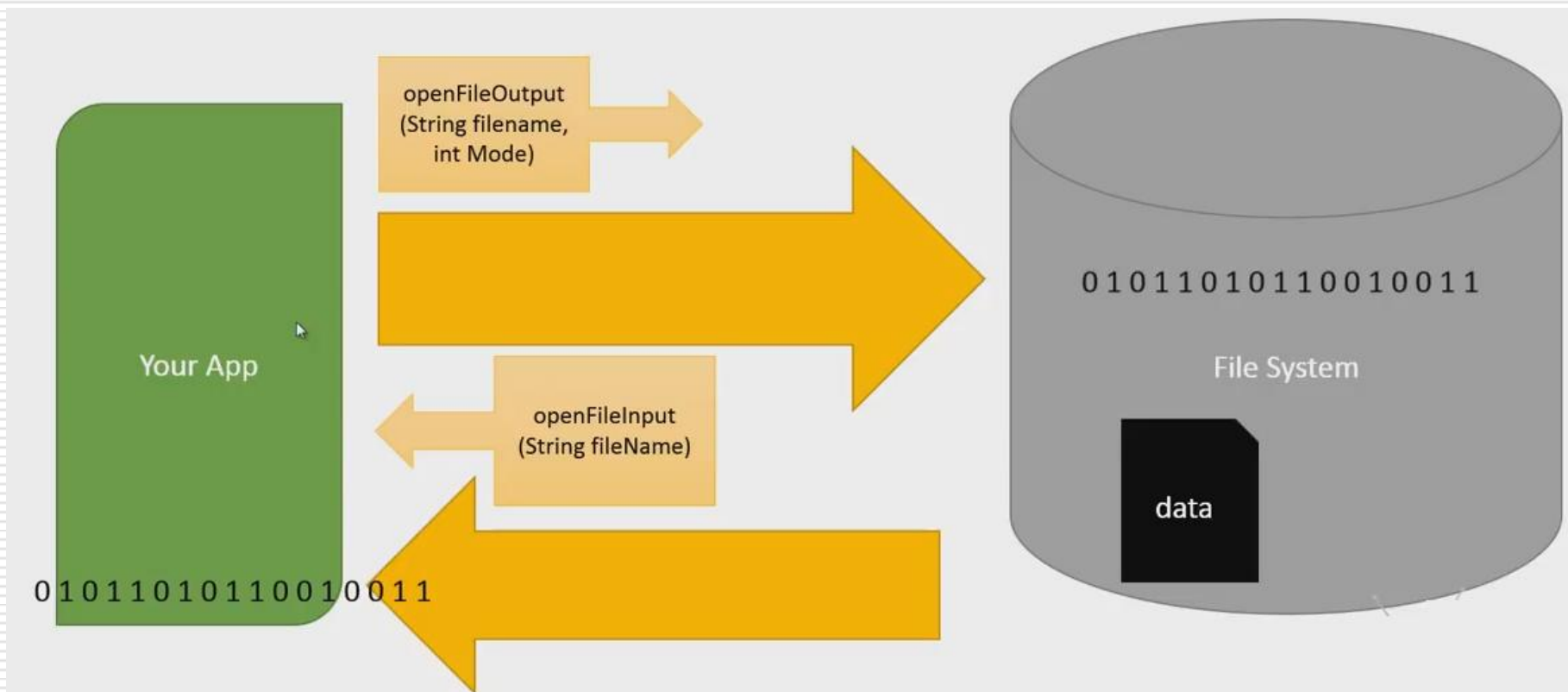
Internal Storage

- Internal allows you to read and write to files that are associated with each application's internal memory.
- These files can only be accessed by the application and cannot be accessed by other applications or users.
- When the application is uninstalled, these files are automatically removed as well.



Internal Storage

- ❑ Context.MODE_PRIVATE: cannot be read by others
- ❑ Context.MODE_APPEND: keep appending data to the existing contents
- ❑ Context.MODE_WORLD_READABLE or Context.MODE_WORLD_WRITEABLE when creating the output file, to make it available in other applications



Internal Storage (Contd....)

Writing file

- In order to use internal storage to write some data in the file, call the `openFileOutput()` method with the name of the file and the mode. The mode could be `Context.MODE_PRIVATE`, `Context.MODE_APPEND`, `Context.MODE_WORLD_READABLE` or `Context.MODE_WORLD_WRITEABLE` e.t.c. Its syntax is given below –

```
FileOutputStream fOut = openFileOutput("file name here",Mode);
```

The method `openFileOutput()` returns an instance of `FileOutputStream`. So you receive it in the object of `FileInputStream`. After that you can call `write` method to write data on the file. Its syntax is given below –

```
String str = "data"; fOut.write(str.getBytes()); fOut.close();
```

Reading file

- In order to read from the file , call the `openFileInput()` method with the name of the file. It returns an instance of `FileInputStream`. Its syntax is given below –

```
FileInputStream fin = openFileInput(file);
```

After that, you can call `read` method to read one character at a time from the file and then you can print it. Its syntax is given below –

```
int c; String temp="";  
while( (c = fin.read()) != -1){  
temp = temp + Character.toString((char)c); }  
fin.close();
```

Internal Storage (Contd....)

- You can find the location of files stored by calling `getFilesDir`. This method will return the absolute path to the files created using `openFileOutput`:

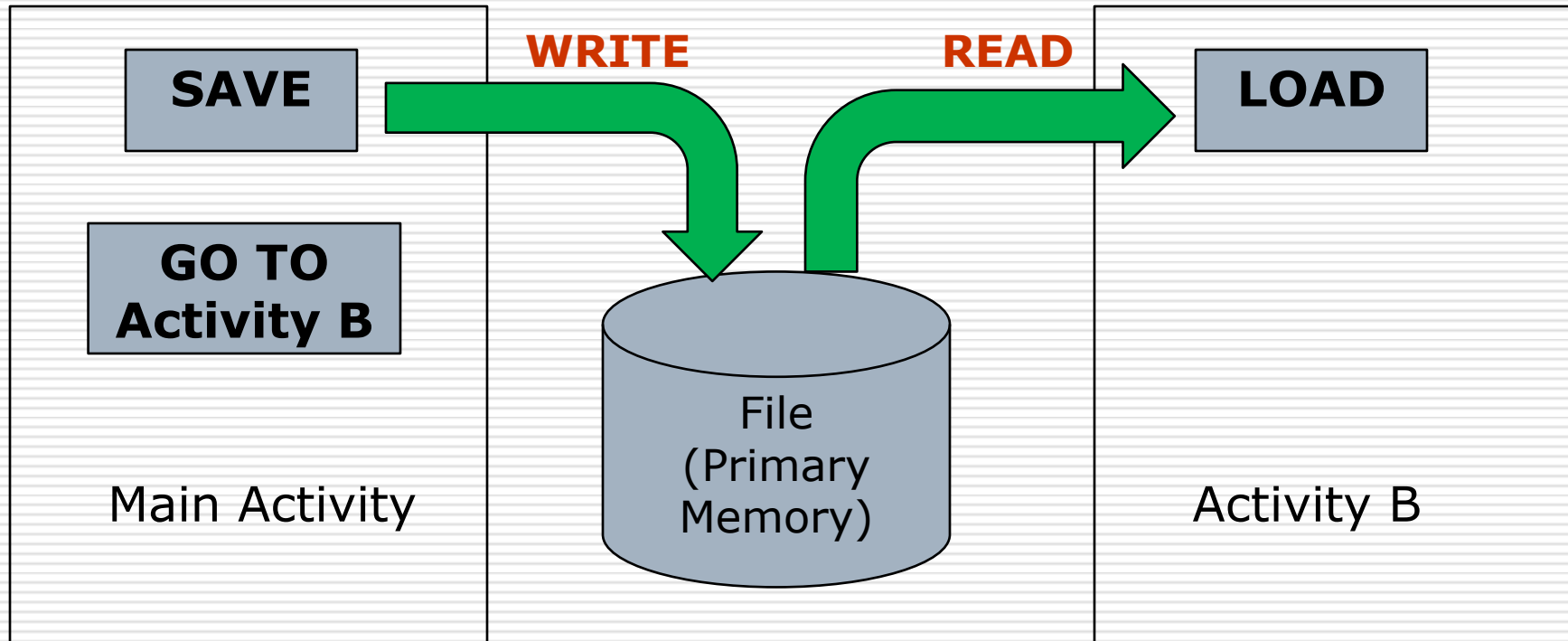
```
File file = getFilesDir();
```

```
Log.d("OUTPUT_PATH_", file.getAbsolutePath());
```

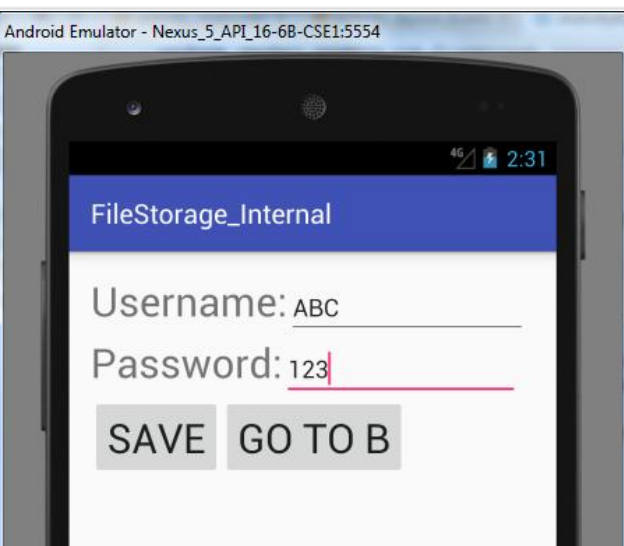
Internal Storage: Writing into File

```
String FILENAME = "mytext.txt";  
String string = "hello world!";  
  
FileOutputStream fos = openFileOutput(FILENAME,  
Context.MODE_PRIVATE);  
byte[] buf=string.getBytes();  
fos.write(buf);  
fos.close();
```

Example: File Storage Internal

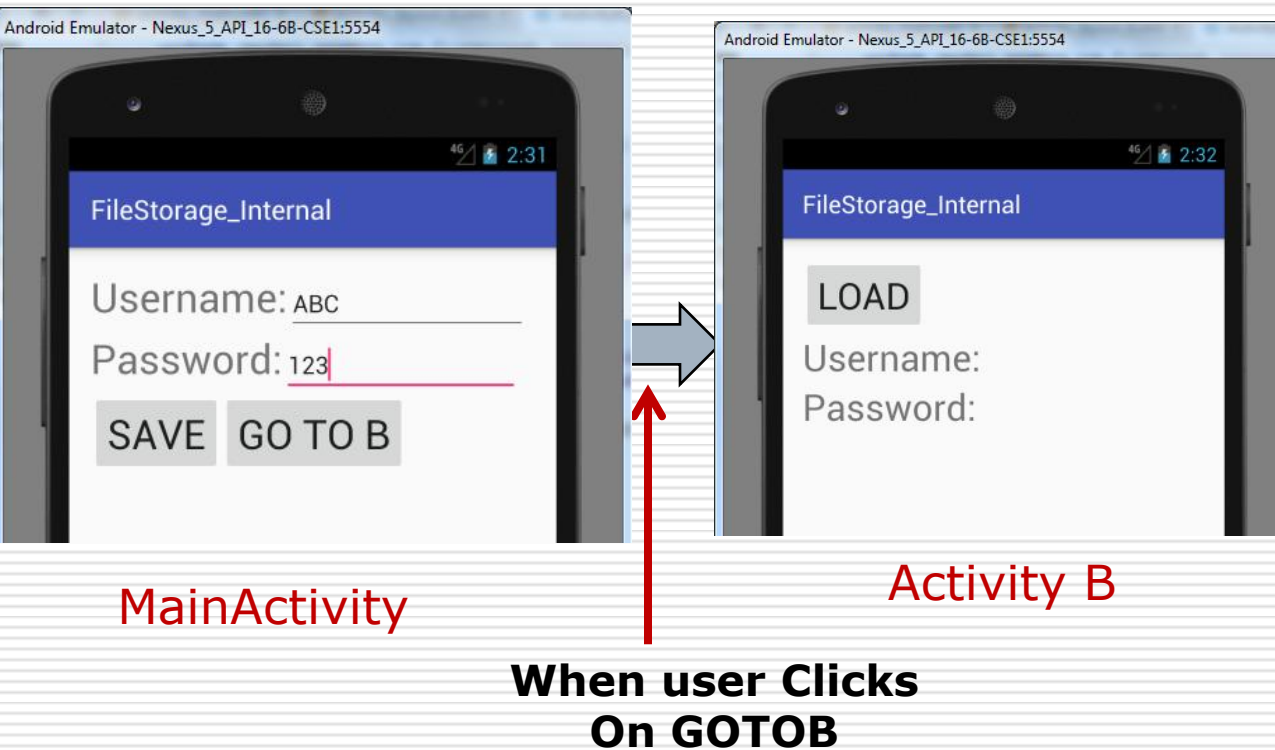


Example: File Storage Internal

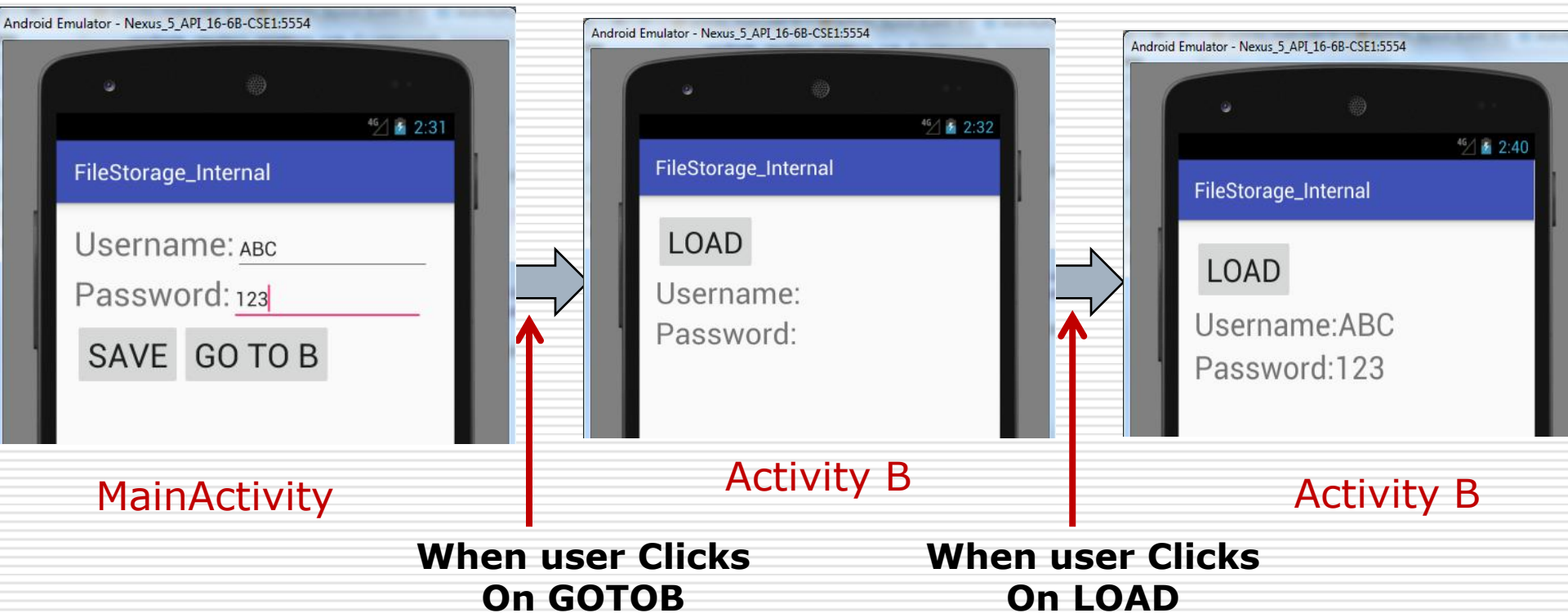


MainActivity

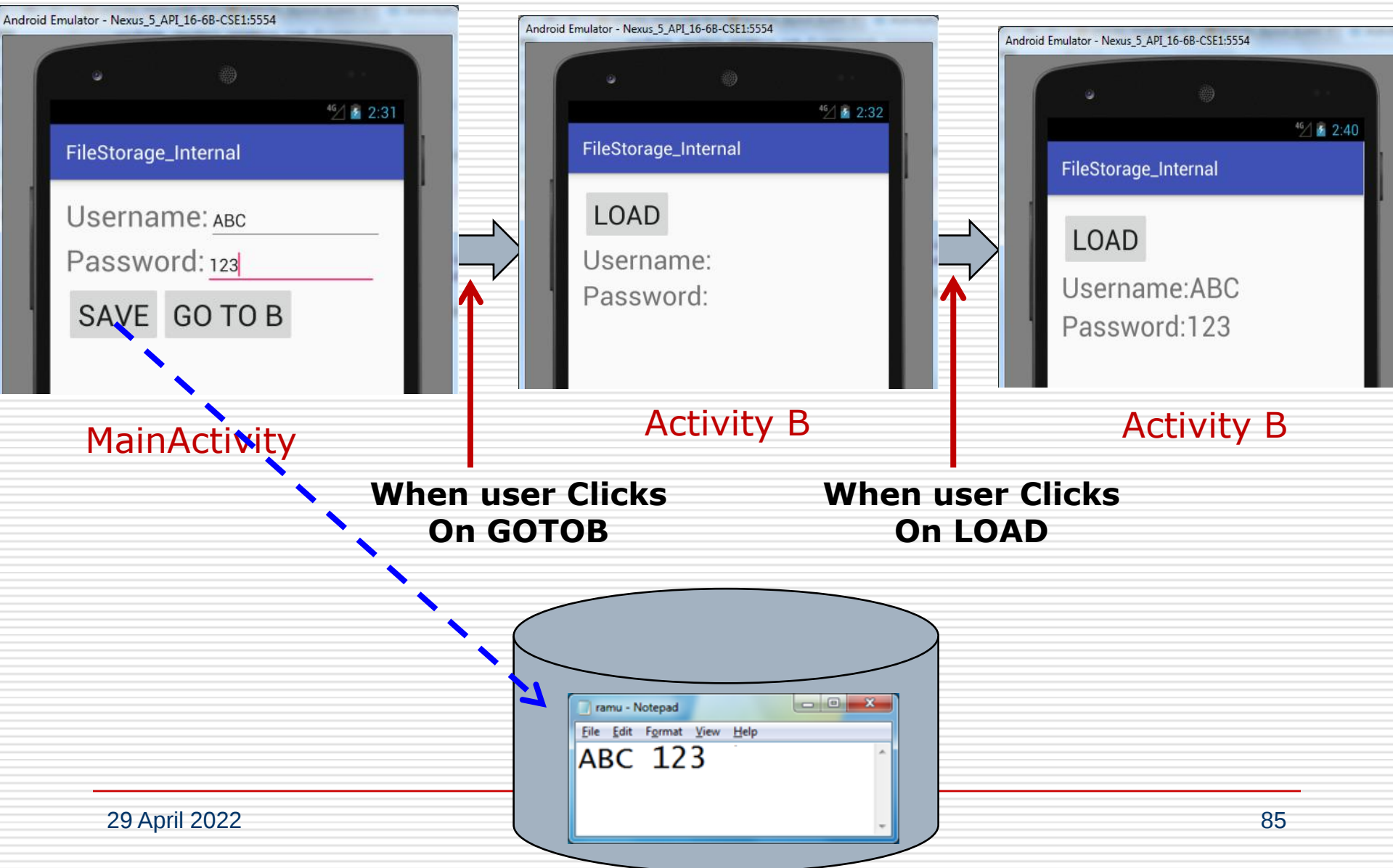
Example: File Storage Internal



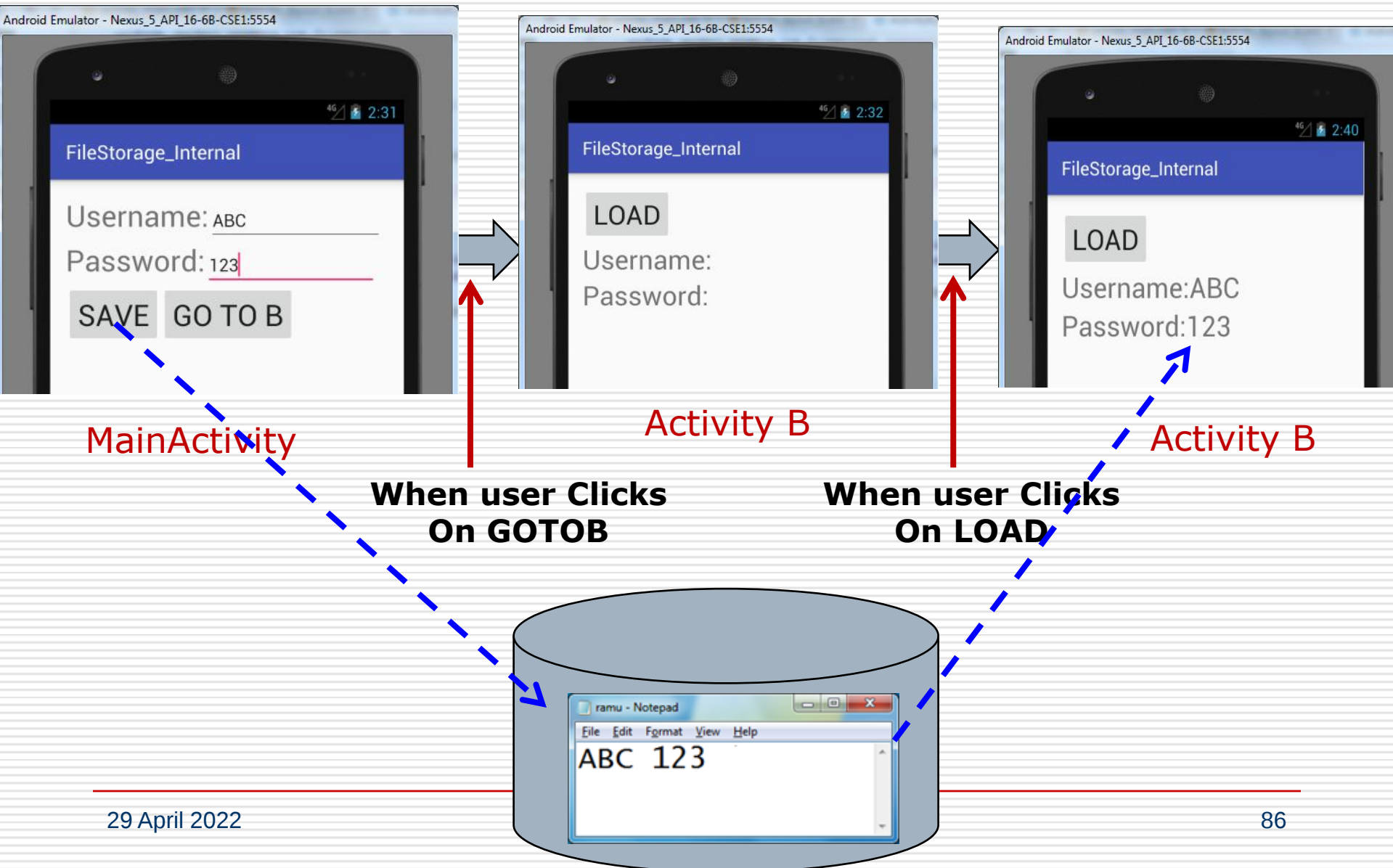
Example: File Storage Internal



Example: File Storage Internal



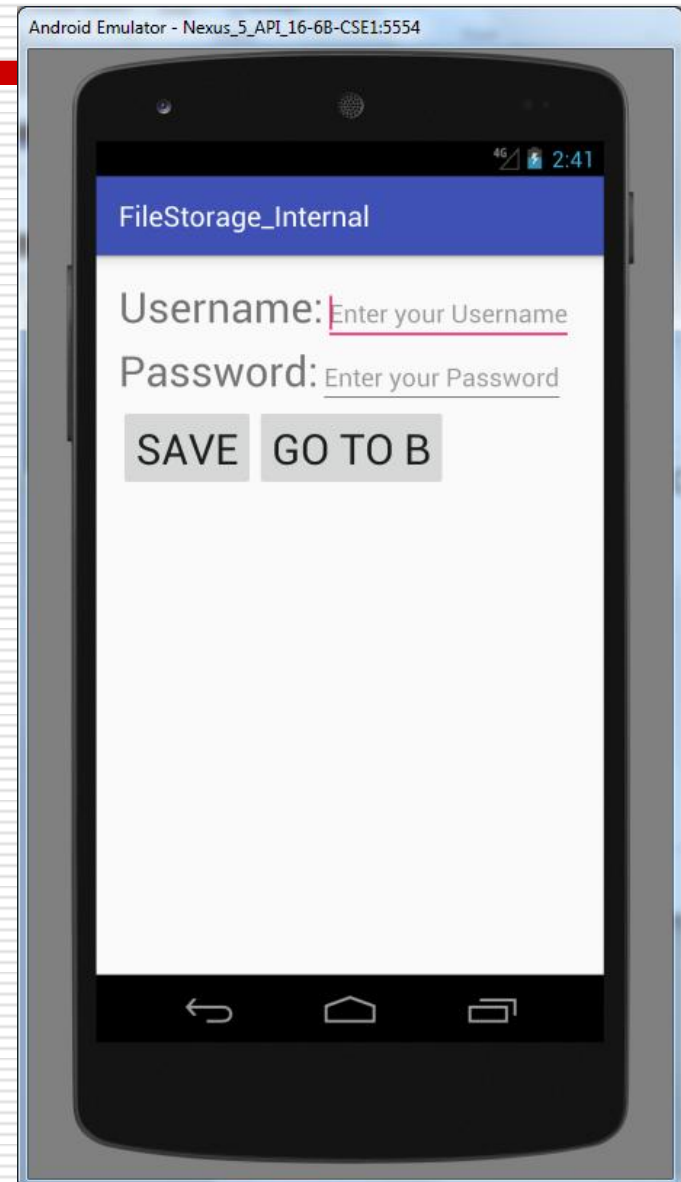
Example: File Storage Internal



activity_main.xml

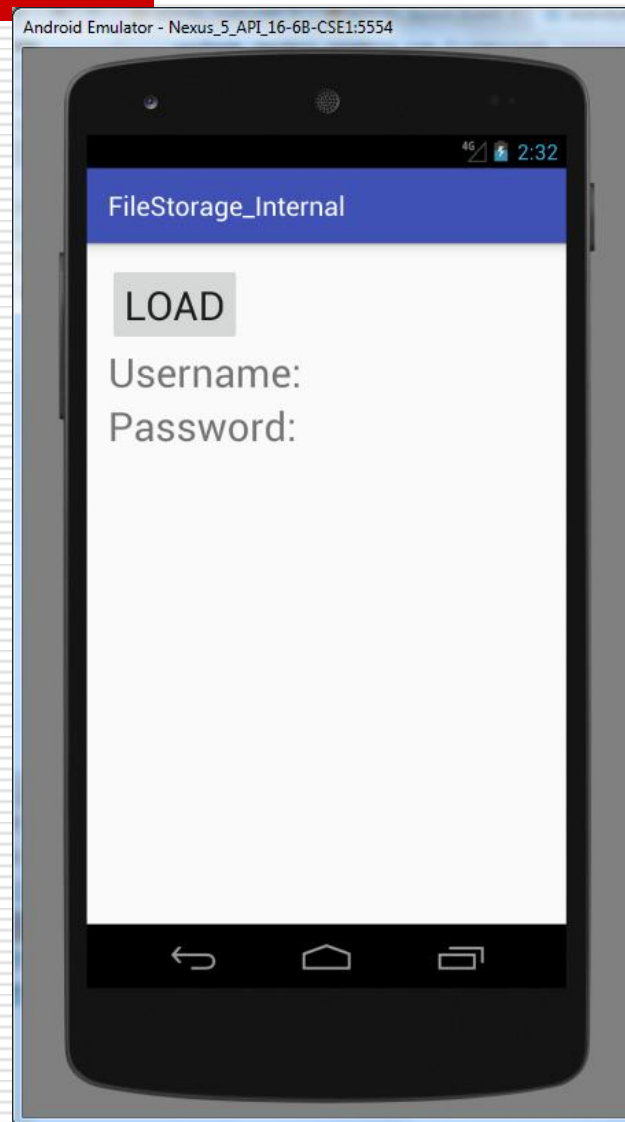
```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:id="@+id/activity_main"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    android:paddingBottom="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
    android:paddingLeft="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
    android:paddingRight="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
    android:paddingTop="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    tools:context="umadevi.example.com.filestorage_internal.MainActivity">

    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:orientation="horizontal">
        <TextView
            android:id="@+id/textview"
            android:text="Username:"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"/>
        <EditText
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:id="@+id/editText1"
            android:hint="Enter your Username"/>
    </LinearLayout>
    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:orientation="horizontal">
        <TextView
            android:id="@+id/textview2"
            android:text="Password:"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"/>
        <EditText
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:hint="Enter your Password"
            android:id="@+id/editText2"/>
    </LinearLayout>
    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:orientation="horizontal">
        <Button
            android:id="@+id/btnSave"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"
            android:text="Save"
            android:onClick="saveData"/>
        <Button
            android:id="@+id/btnB"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"
            android:text="Go to B"
            android:onClick="GoToB"/>
    </LinearLayout>
</LinearLayout>
```



activity_layout_b.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:id="@+id/activity_main"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    android:paddingBottom="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
    android:paddingLeft="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
    android:paddingRight="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
    android:paddingTop="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    tools:context="umadevi.example.com.filestorage_internal.ActivityB">
    <Button
        android:id="@+id/btnSave"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:textSize="30sp"
        android:text="Load"
        android:onClick="load"/>
    <LinearLayout
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:orientation="horizontal">
        <TextView
            android:id="@+id/textview"
            android:text="Username:"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"/>
        <TextView
            android:id="@+id/textviewUsername"
            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
            android:textSize="30sp"/>
    </LinearLayout>
    <LinearLayout>
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            android:layout_width="wrap_content"
            android:layout_height="wrap_content"
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                android:id="@+id/textviewPasswd"
                android:layout_width="wrap_content"
                android:layout_height="wrap_content"
                android:textSize="30sp"/>
        </LinearLayout>
    </LinearLayout>
</LinearLayout>
```



MainActivity.java

```
public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {
    EditText userName, passWord;
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
    }
    public void saveData(View v) throws IOException {
        userName=(EditText)findViewById(R.id.editText1);
        passWord=(EditText)findViewById(R.id.editText2);
        String uName=userName.getText().toString();
        String pwd=passWord.getText().toString();

    }
    public void GoToB(View v)
    {
        } }
}
```

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        String uName=userName.getText().toString();
        String pwd=passWord.getText().toString();
        String txt=uName+" "+pwd+"-"; //Hypehen - to find the end of file
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        passWord=(EditText)findViewById(R.id.editText2);
        String uName=userName.getText().toString();
        String pwd=passWord.getText().toString();
        String txt=uName+" "+pwd+"-"; //Hypehen - to find the end of file
        FileOutputStream fileHandler=null;
        fileHandler=openFileOutput("ramu.txt", Context.MODE_PRIVATE);

    }
    public void GoToB(View v)
    {
        }
    }
```

MainActivity.java

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        String txt=uName+" "+pwd+"-"; //Hyphen - to find the end of file
        FileOutputStream fileHandler=null;
        fileHandler=openFileOutput("ramu.txt", Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
        fileHandler.write(txt.getBytes());
        fileHandler.close();
    }
    public void GoToB(View v)
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        }
    }
}
```

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        String uName=userName.getText().toString();
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        String txt=uName+" "+pwd+"-"; //Hypehen - to find the end of file
        FileOutputStream fileHandler=null;
        fileHandler=openFileOutput("ramu.txt", Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
        fileHandler.write(txt.getBytes());
        fileHandler.close();
    }
    public void GoToB(View v)
    { Intent i=new Intent(MainActivity.this,ActivityB.class);
      startActivity(i);    } }
```

ActivityB.java

```
public class ActivityB extends AppCompatActivity {  
.....  
public void load(View v) throws IOException {  
    TextView uName, pwd;  
    uName=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewUsername);  
    pwd=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewPasswd);  
  
} }  
}
```

ActivityB.java

```
public class ActivityB extends AppCompatActivity {  
.....  
public void load(View v) throws IOException {  
    TextView uName, pwd;  
    uName=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewUsername);  
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    FileInputStream fileHandler=openFileInput("ramu.txt");  
  
    }  
}
```

ActivityB.java

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    TextView uName, pwd;  
    uName=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewUsername);  
    pwd=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewPasswd);  
    FileInputStream fileHandler=openFileInput("ramu.txt");  
    int read;  
    StringBuffer buffer=new StringBuffer();  
    while((read=fileHandler.read())!='-'){  
        buffer.append((char)read);  
    }  
  
} }  
}
```

ActivityB.java

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    StringBuffer buffer=new StringBuffer();  
    while((read=fileHandler.read())!='-'){  
        buffer.append((char)read);  
    }  
  
    String text1=buffer.substring(0,buffer.indexOf(" "));  
  
    String text2=buffer.substring(buffer.indexOf(" ")+1);  
  
    } }  
}
```

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    StringBuffer buffer=new StringBuffer();  
    while((read=fileHandler.read())!='-'){  
        buffer.append((char)read);  
    }  
    //Extract Username  
    String text1=buffer.substring(0,buffer.indexOf(" "));  
    //Extract Password  
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    } }  
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    int read;  
    StringBuffer buffer=new StringBuffer();  
    while((read=fileHandler.read())!='-'){  
        buffer.append((char)read);  
    }  
    //Extract Username  
    String text1=buffer.substring(0,buffer.indexOf(" "));  
    //Extract Password  
    String text2=buffer.substring(buffer.indexOf(" ")+1);  
    uName.setText(text1);  
    pwd.setText(text2);  
    fileHandler.close();  
} }
```

Accessing the file "ramu.txt"

- tools -> Android Device Monitor -> clicking on the emulator in the left panel -> file explorer -> data -> data -> com.project-name -> files

The screenshot displays the Android Studio interface. On the left, the 'Android Device Monitor' tab is active, showing a list of processes for the 'emulator-5554' device. The 'File Explorer' tab is also open, showing the file system of the selected device. The file path 'com.project-name' is expanded, revealing a 'files' directory containing 'ramu.txt'. A 'Notepad' window is overlaid on the File Explorer, showing the content of 'ramu.txt' as 'ABC 123-'. The 'ramu.txt' file is highlighted in the File Explorer list.

Name	Size	Date	Time	Permissions	Info
com.android.wallpaper.livepicker		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x	
com.android.widgetpreview		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x	
com.example.android.apis		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x	
com.example.android.livecubes		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x	
com.example.android.softkeyboard		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x	
com.google.android.apps.maps		2017-01-09	12:39	drwxr-x--x	
com.google.android.gms		2017-02-22	14:37	drwxr-x--x	
com.google.android.gsf		2017-01-09	12:35	drwxr-x--x	
com.google.android.gsf.login		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x	
com.google.android.location		2017-01-09	12:35	drwxr-x--x	
com.google.android.street		2017-01-09	12:34	drwxr-x--x	
com.svox.pico					
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.adding_two_numbers					
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.greetfriend					
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.helloworld					
hk.ust.cse.comp107x.labprogram2					
jp.co.omronsoft.openwnn					
umadevi.example.com.checkbox_activity					
umadevi.example.com.checkbox_preference					
umadevi.example.com.filestorage_internal					
cache					
files					
instant-run					
ramu.txt	9	2017-02-22	14:40	-rw-rw----	
lib		2017-02-22	14:30	drwxr-xr-x	
umadevi.example.com.labprogram_5		2017-02-16	13:04	drwxr-x--x	
umadevi.example.com.login		2017-02-18	11:43	drwxr-x--x	

Take home assignment

- Consider an android application with following has been created
 - Main activity with the layout having two buttons "SAVE (id button1)" and "Go To Activity B (id button2)"
 - ActivityB with the layout have one button "LOAD (id button3)" and a TextView (id textView1)

You should write the code to do the following

- When user clicks on the button "SAVE" a text "**UTSAV 2017**" should be written into the file "bmsce.txt"
- When user clicks on "Go To Activity B" control should be transferred to "Activity B"
- When user clicks on "LOAD" the data from the file "bmsce.txt" should be read and display the read text onto the TextView

Observe the Difference between Read and Write

```
public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {
    EditText userName, passWord;
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
    }
    public void saveData(View v) throws IOException {
        userName=(EditText)findViewById(R.id.editText1);
        passWord=(EditText)findViewById(R.id.editText2);
        String uName=userName.getText().toString();
        String pwd=passWord.getText().toString();
        String txt=uName+" "+pwd+"-"; //Hypehen - to find the end of file
        FileOutputStream fileHandler=null;
        fileHandler=openFileOutput("ramu.txt", Context.MODE_PRIVATE);
        fileHandler.write(txt.getBytes());
        fileHandler.close();
    }
    public void GoToB(View v)
    { Intent i=new Intent(MainActivity.this,ActivityB.class);
      startActivity(i);    } }
```

Observe the Difference between Read and Write

```
public class ActivityB extends AppCompatActivity {  
.....  
public void load(View v) throws IOException {  
    TextView uName, pwd;  
    uName=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewUsername);  
    pwd=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewPasswd);  
    FileInputStream fileHandler=openFileInput("ramu.txt");  
    int read;  
    StringBuffer buffer=new StringBuffer();  
    while((read=fileHandler.read())!='-'){  
        buffer.append((char)read);  
    }  
    //Extract Username  
    String text1=buffer.substring(0,buffer.indexOf(" "));  
    //Extract Password  
    String text2=buffer.substring(buffer.indexOf(" ")+1);  
    uName.setText(text1);  
    pwd.setText(text2);  
    fileHandler.close();  
} }
```

SharedPreferences vs Internal/External Storage

- **SharedPreferences**

- Storing data internally in XML files.
- More efficient due to less read/write overhead.
- Only primitive types and at most, arrays of strings can be stored

- **Internal/External storage**

- Storing data and files to the phone's external **Secure Digital (SD)** card.
- Less Efficient
- Store complex data, media, images

File Storage on SD card (External)



Internal vs External Storage

- **Internal Storage**

- Less memory available [many MBs , few GBs]
- Access speed is more or less the same
- Only your app can access internal storage data and its deleted when the app is uninstalled

- **External storage**

- More memory available [many GBs]
- Anyone can read the external files and they are not destroyed unless they are located inside the directory returned by **getExternalFilesDir()**

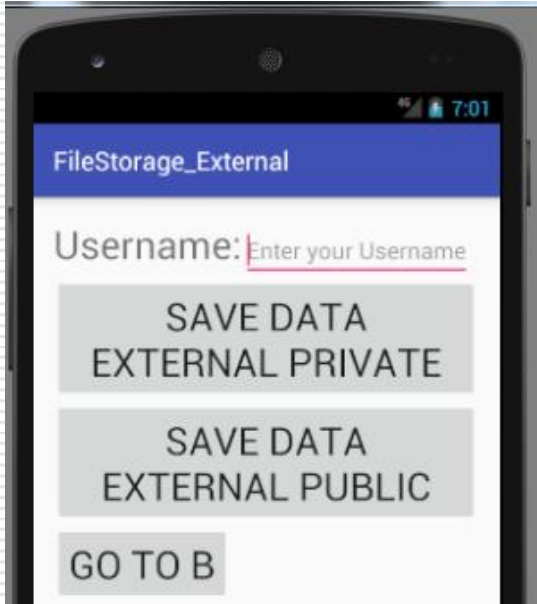
How to write to an External Storage ?

- Add into your manifest file the `WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE` permission.
- Check the external storage to see if its `MOUNTED`, `READ_ONLY`, or failure using `getExternalStorageState()` method
- Get the files directory by calling `getExternalStorageFilesDir(String type)` or `getExternalStoragePublicDirectory(String type)` or `getExternalStorageDirectory()`
- Use a `FileInputStream` and `FileOutputStream` to do the required operations

Private vs Public Files

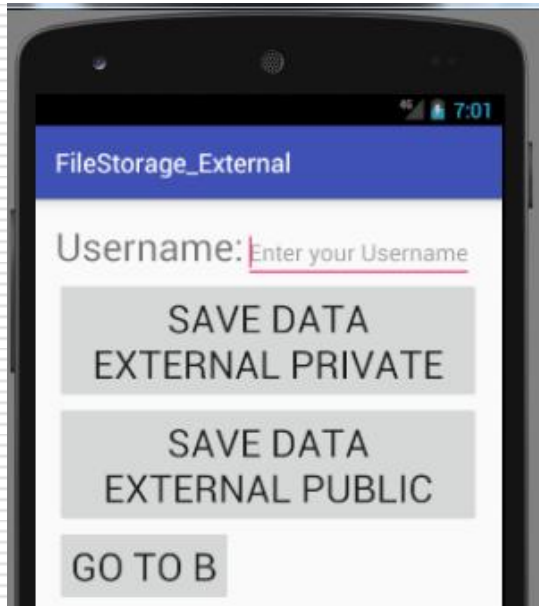
- Files that rightfully belong to your app and should be deleted when the user uninstalls your app. They don't provide value to the user outside your app.
- Example: Other resources downloaded by your app.
- getExternalFilesDir() to store private files on External storage
- Deleted when user uninstalls the app
- Files that should be freely available to other apps and to the user.
- Example: photos captured by your app or other downloaded files.
- getExternalStoragePublicDirectory() to store public files on External Storage
- Not deleted

Example: External SD Card - Reading and Writing Files

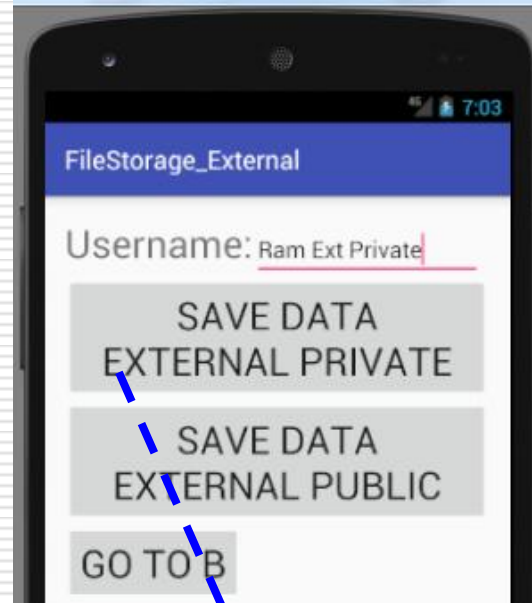


MainActivity

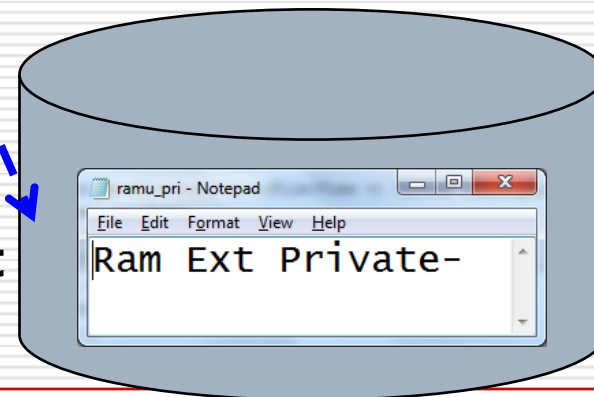
Example: External SD Card - Reading and Writing Files



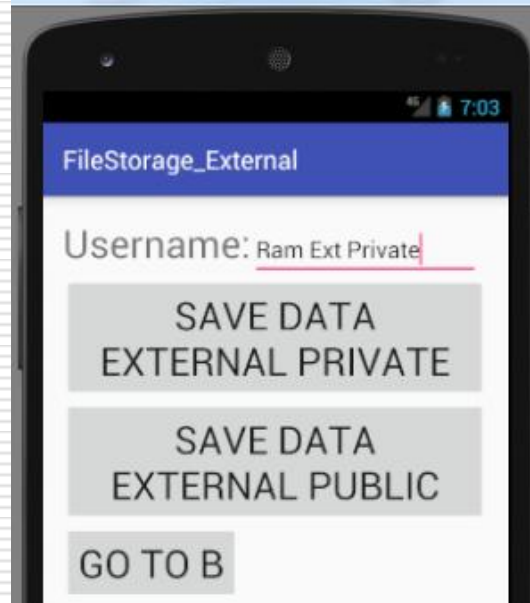
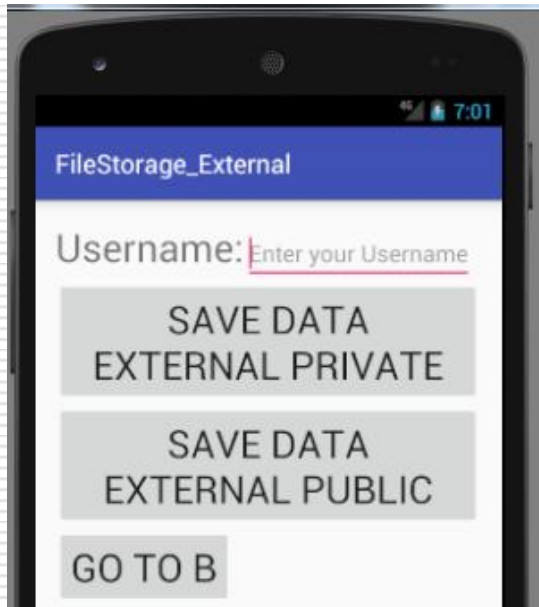
MainActivity



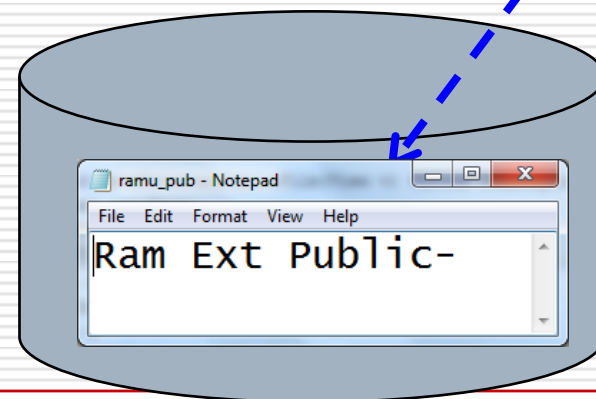
/mnt/sdcard/BMSCE/**ramu_pri.txt**



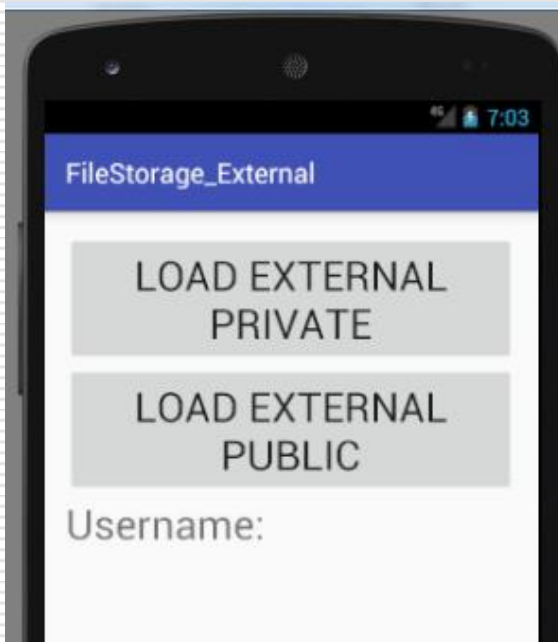
Example: External SD Card - Reading and Writing Files



/mnt/sdcard/BMSCE/**ramu_pub.txt**

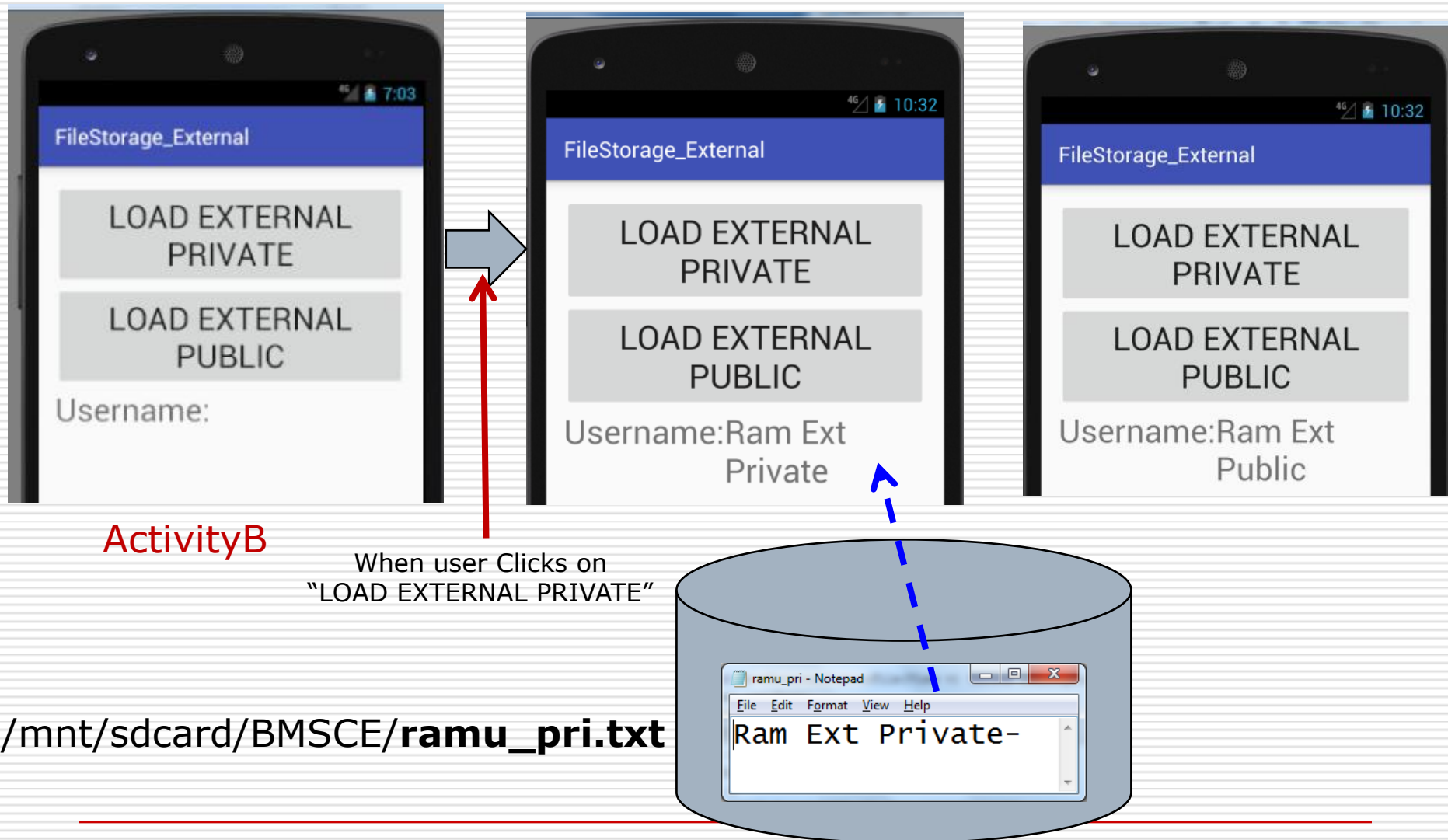


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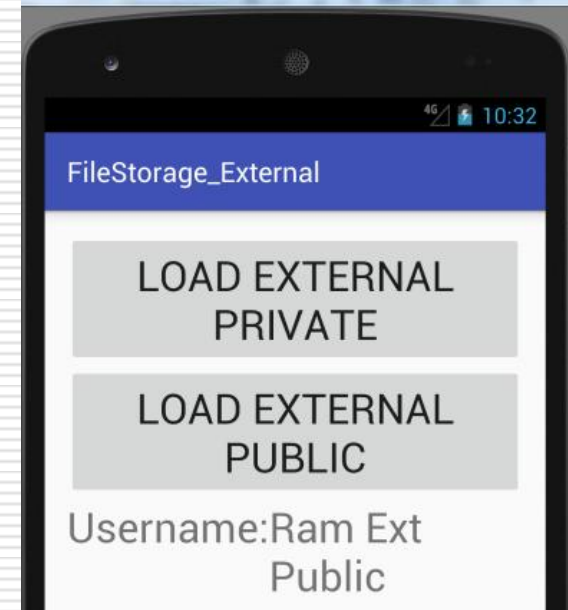
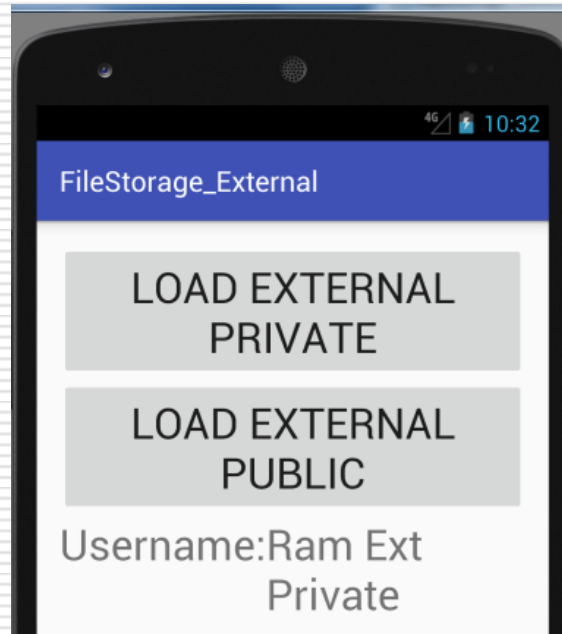
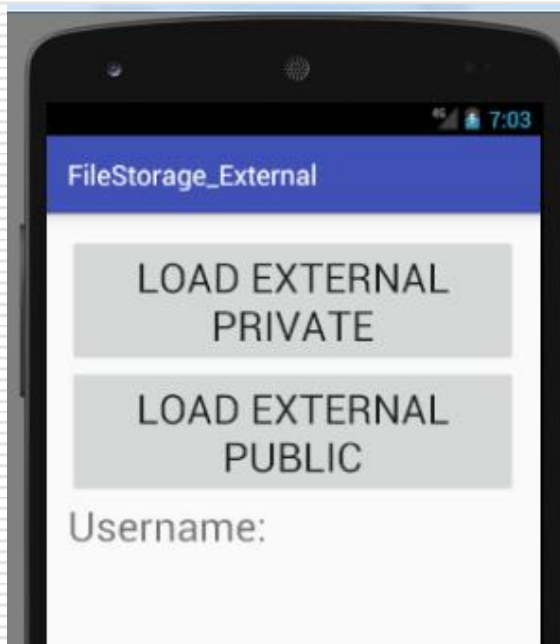


ActivityB

Example: External SD Card - Reading and Writing Files

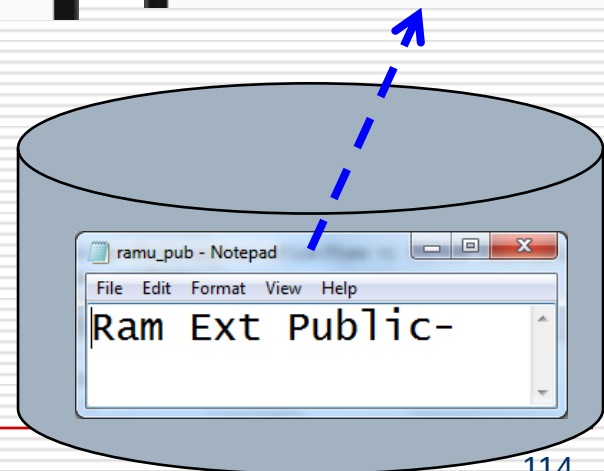


Example: External SD Card - Reading and Writing Files



ActivityB

/mnt/sdcard/BMSCE/**ramu_pub.txt**



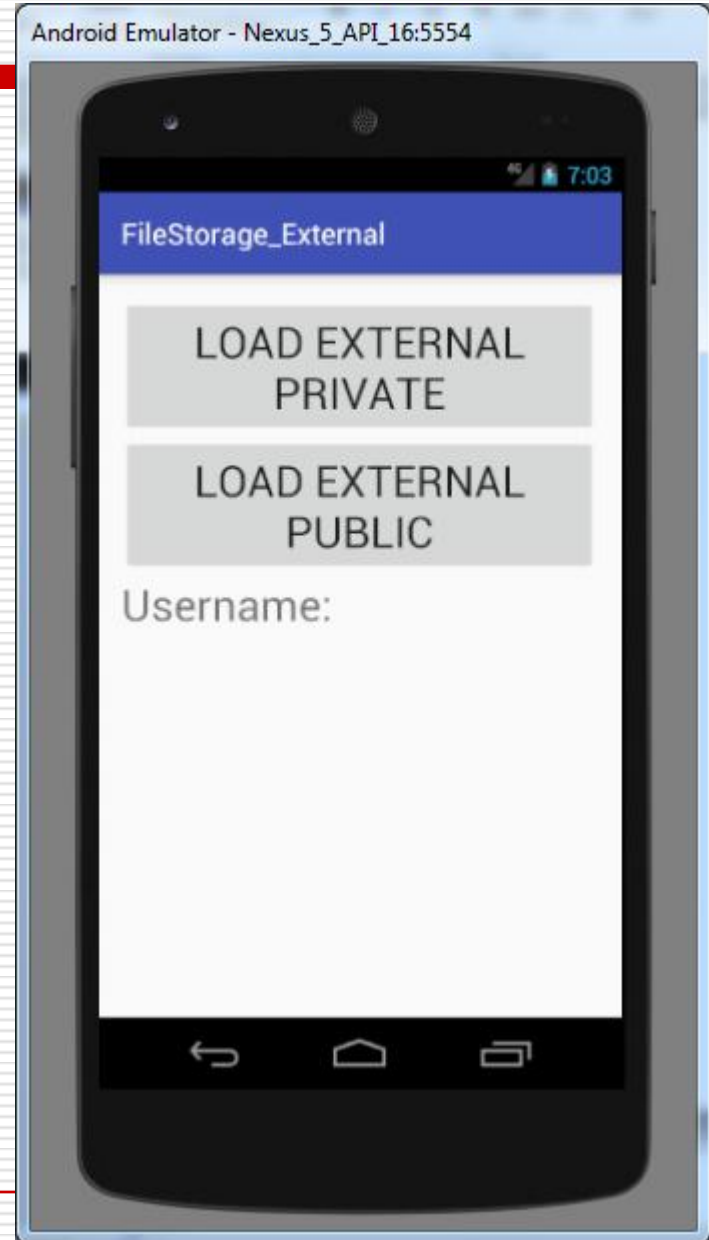
activity_main.xml

```
<LinearLayout .....>
<LinearLayout
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:orientation="horizontal">
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/textview"
        android:text="Username:"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:textSize="30sp"/>
    <EditText
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:id="@+id/editText1"
        android:hint="Enter your Username"/>
</LinearLayout>
<Button
    android:id="@+id/btnSavePrivate"
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:textSize="30sp"
    android:text="Save Data External Private"
    android:onClick="saveExternalPrivateFile"/>
<Button
    android:id="@+id/btnSavePublic"
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:textSize="30sp"
    android:text="Save Data External Public"
    android:onClick="saveExternalPublicFile"/>
<Button
    android:id="@+id/btnB"
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:textSize="30sp"
    android:text="Go to B"
    android:onClick="GoToB"/>
```



activity_layout_b.xml

```
<LinearLayout .....>
<Button
    android:id="@+id/btnLoadPrivate"
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:textSize="30sp"
    android:text="Load External Private"
    android:onClick="loadExternalPrivateFile"/>
<Button
    android:id="@+id/btnLoadPublic"
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:textSize="30sp"
    android:text="Load External Public"
    android:onClick="loadExternalPublicFile"/>
<LinearLayout
    android:layout_width="wrap_content"
    android:layout_height="wrap_content"
    android:orientation="horizontal">
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/textview"
        android:text="Username:"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:textSize="30sp"/>
    <TextView
        android:id="@+id/textviewUsername"
        android:layout_width="wrap_content"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:textSize="30sp"/>
</LinearLayout>
</LinearLayout>
```



AndroidManifest.xml

```
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    package="umadevi.example.com.filestorage_external">
```

```
  <uses-permission
```

```
    android:name="android.permission.WRITE_EXTERNAL_STORAGE"
```

```
    android:maxSdkVersion="18" />
```

```
<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>
```

```
    <activity android:name=".ActivityB"></activity>
```

```
</application>
```

```
</manifest>
```

MainActivity.java (External Private)

```
public void saveExternalPrivateFile(View v) throws IOException {  
    EditText userName;  
    userName = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.editText1);  
    String uName = userName.getText().toString();  
    uName=uName+'-'; // -Hyphen to find the end of file  
  
}  
  
public void writeData(File myFile, String data) throws IOException {  
  
}  
  
public void GoToB(View v)  
{  
  
}
```

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    String uName = userName.getText().toString();  
    uName=uName+'-'; // -Hyphen to find the end of file  
    File sdCard=Environment.getExternalStorageDirectory();  
  
}  
  
public void writeData(File myFile, String data) throws IOException {  
  
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public void GoToB(View v)  
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    String uName = userName.getText().toString();  
    uName=uName+'-'; //Hyphen to find the end of file  
    File sdCard=Environment.getExternalStorageDirectory();  
    File directory=new File(sdCard.getAbsolutePath()+"/BMSCE");
```

```
}
```

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public void writeData(File myFile, String data) throws IOException {
```

```
}
```

```
public void GoToB(View v)  
{  
}
```

MainActivity.java (External Private)

```
public void saveExternalPrivateFile(View v) throws IOException {
    EditText userName;
    userName = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.editText1);
    String uName = userName.getText().toString();
    uName=uName+'-'; // -Hyphen to find the end of file
    File sdCard=Environment.getExternalStorageDirectory();
    File directory=new File(sdCard.getAbsolutePath()+"/BMSCE");
    directory.mkdirs();

}

public void writeData(File myFile, String data) throws IOException {

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    directory.mkdirs();  
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}  
  
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    writeData(myFile, uName); }  

```

```
public void writeData(File myFile, String data) throws IOException {  
    FileOutputStream fileHandler=null;  
    fileHandler=new FileOutputStream(myFile);  
    fileHandler.write(data.getBytes());  
    fileHandler.close();  
}  

```

```
public void GoToB(View v)  
{ Intent i=new Intent(MainActivity.this,ActivityB.class);  
  startActivity(i); }  

```

Storing Publicly Readable Files

- ❑ Environment.**getExternalStoragePublicDirectory**, that can be used to find a path in which to store your application files. The returned location is where users will typically place and manage their own files of each type.

The **getExternalStoragePublicDirectory** method accepts a String parameter that determines which subdirectory you want to access using a series of Environment static constants:

- ❑ DIRECTORY_ALARMS — Audio files that should be available as user-selectable alarm sounds
- ❑ DIRECTORY_DCIM — Pictures and videos taken by the device
- ❑ DIRECTORY_DOWNLOADS — Files downloaded by the user
- ❑ DIRECTORY_MOVIES — Movies
- ❑ DIRECTORY_MUSIC — Audio files that represent music
- ❑ DIRECTORY_NOTIFICATIONS — Audio files that should be available as user-selectable notification sounds
- ❑ DIRECTORY_PICTURES — Pictures
- ❑ DIRECTORY_PODCASTS — Audio files that represent podcasts
- ❑ DIRECTORY_RINGTONES — Audio files that should be available as user-selectable ringtones

MainActivity.java (External Public)

```
public void saveExternalPublicFile(View v) throws IOException {
    EditText userName;
    userName = (EditText) findViewById(R.id.editText1);
    String uName = userName.getText().toString();
    uName=uName+'-'; //Hyphen to find the end of file
    File folder =
    Environment.getExternalStoragePublicDirectory(Environment.DIRECTORY_DOWNLOADS);
    File myFile = new File(folder, "ramu_pub.txt");
    writeData(myFile, uName);
}
```

```
public void writeData(File myFile, String data) throws IOException {
    FileOutputStream fileHandler=null;
    fileHandler=new FileOutputStream(myFile);
    fileHandler.write(data.getBytes());
    fileHandler.close();
}
```

ActivityB.java (Load External Private)

```
public void loadExternalPrivateFile(View v) throws IOException  
{  
    File sdCard = Environment.getExternalStorageDirectory();
```

```
}
```

```
public void readData(File myFile) throws IOException {
```

```
}
```

ActivityB.java (Load External Private)

```
public void loadExternalPrivateFile(View v) throws IOException
{
    File sdCard = Environment.getExternalStorageDirectory();
    File directory = new File(sdCard.getAbsolutePath() +
"/BMSCE");

}

public void readData(File myFile) throws IOException {

}

}
```

ActivityB.java (Load External Private)

```
public void loadExternalPrivateFile(View v) throws IOException
{
    File sdCard = Environment.getExternalStorageDirectory();
    File directory = new File(sdCard.getAbsolutePath() +
"/BMSCE");
    File myFile = new File(directory, "ramu_pri.txt");

}

public void readData(File myFile) throws IOException {

}

}
```

ActivityB.java (Load External Private)

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public void loadExternalPrivateFile(View v) throws IOException
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    File directory = new File(sdCard.getAbsolutePath() +
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    File myFile = new File(directory, "ramu_pri.txt");
    readData(myFile);
}

public void readData(File myFile) throws IOException {

}

}
```

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public void loadExternalPrivateFile(View v) throws IOException
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    File sdCard = Environment.getExternalStorageDirectory();
    File directory = new File(sdCard.getAbsolutePath() +
"/BMSCE");
    File myFile = new File(directory, "ramu_pri.txt");
    readData(myFile);
}

public void readData(File myFile) throws IOException {
    TextView uName;
    uName=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewUsername);

}

}
```

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}

public void readData(File myFile) throws IOException {
    TextView uName;
    uName=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewUsername);
    FileInputStream fileHandler=new FileInputStream(myFile);
    int read;

    StringBuffer buffer=new StringBuffer();
    while((read=fileHandler.read())!= '-'){
        buffer.append((char)read);
    }
    .....}
}
```

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    File sdCard = Environment.getExternalStorageDirectory();
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}

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    int read;

    StringBuffer buffer=new StringBuffer();
    while((read=fileHandler.read())!= '-'){
        buffer.append((char)read);
    }
    uName.setText(buffer); fileHandler.close(); }
```

ActivityB.java (Load External Public)

```
public void loadExternalPublicFile(View v) throws IOException {
    File sdCard =
    Environment.getExternalStoragePublicDirectory(Environment.DIRECTO
    RY_DOWNLOADS);
    File directory = new File(sdCard.getAbsolutePath());
    File myFile = new File(directory, "ramu_pub.txt");
    readData(myFile);
}

public void readData(File myFile) throws IOException {
    TextView uName;
    uName=(TextView)findViewById(R.id.textviewUsername);
    FileInputStream fileHandler=new FileInputStream(myFile);
    int read;

    StringBuffer buffer=new StringBuffer();
    while((read=fileHandler.read())!= '-'){
        buffer.append((char)read);
    }
    uName.setText(buffer);
    fileHandler.close(); }
```

Accessing the files

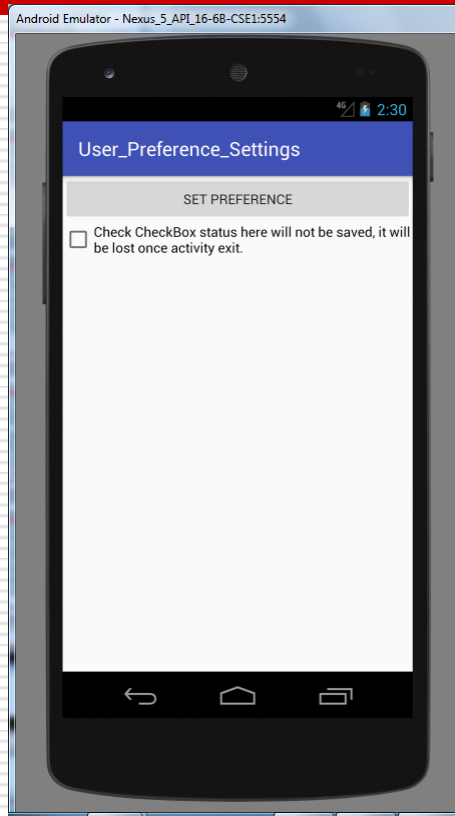
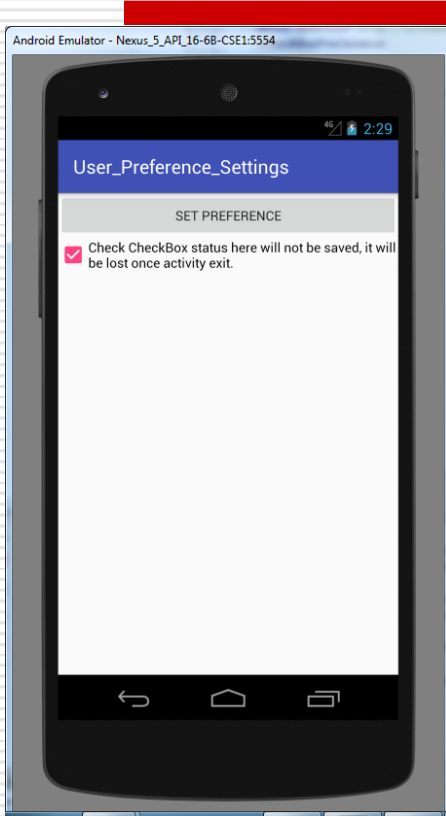
tools -> Android Device Monitor -> clicking on the emulator in the left panel -> file explorer -> mnt -> sdcard

The screenshot displays the Android Studio interface. On the left, the 'Android Device Monitor' panel shows a list of devices, with 'emulator-5554' selected. Below it, a list of system processes is visible. The 'File Explorer' tab is active, showing the file system of the selected device. The 'mnt' directory is expanded, revealing the 'sdcard' directory. The 'sdcard' directory contains several files and folders, including 'Alarms', 'Android', 'BMSCE', 'DCIM', 'Download', 'LOST.DIR', 'Movies', 'Music', 'Notifications', 'Pictures', and 'Podcasts'. The 'BMSCE' folder is expanded, showing a file named 'ramu_pri.txt'. Two Notepad windows are open in the foreground. The first Notepad window, titled 'ramu_pri - Notepad', contains the text 'Ram Ext Private-'. The second Notepad window, titled 'ramu_pub - Notepad', contains the text 'Ram Ext Public-'. The 'File Explorer' table lists files with columns for Name, Size, Date, Time, and Permissions. The 'sdcard' directory is expanded, showing a list of files and folders. The 'BMSCE' folder is expanded, showing a file named 'ramu_pri.txt'. The 'ramu_pri.txt' file is selected, and its contents are displayed in the 'ramu_pri - Notepad' window. The 'ramu_pub.txt' file is also visible in the 'Download' folder, and its contents are displayed in the 'ramu_pub - Notepad' window.

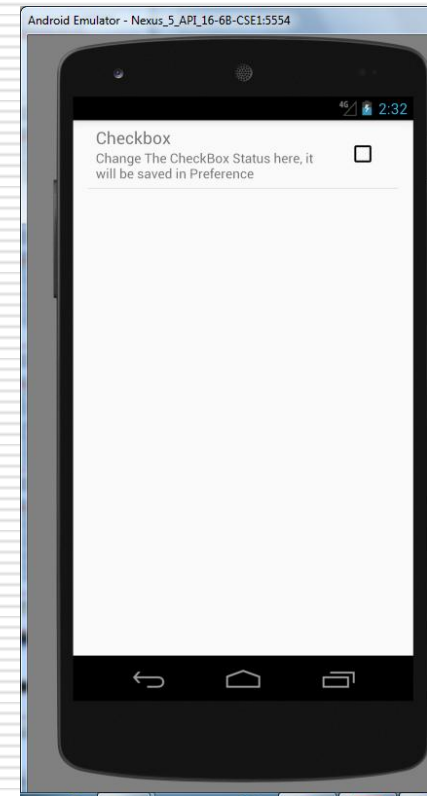
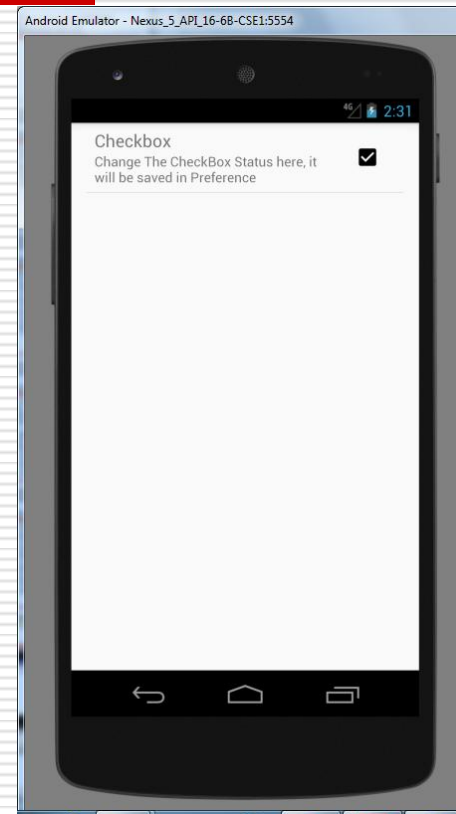
Name	Size	Date	Time	Permissions
fstab.ranchu	845	1970-01-01	05:30	-rw-r----
init	234976	1970-01-01	05:30	-rwxr-x---
init.goldfish.rc	2381	1970-01-01	05:30	-rwxr-x---
init.ranchu.rc	2970	1970-01-01	05:30	-rwxr-x---
init.rc	17283	1970-01-01	05:30	-rwxr-x---
init.trace.rc				
init.usb.rc				
mnt				
asec				
media_rw				
obb				
sdcard				
Alarms				
Android		2017-01-09	12:39	d---rwxr-x
BMSCE		2017-02-23	10:31	d---rwxr-x
ramu_pri.txt	16	2017-02-23	10:31	----rwxr-x
DCIM				
Download		2017-01-09	12:37	d---rwxr-x
ramu_pub.txt				
LOST.DIR				
Movies				
Music				
Notifications				
Pictures				
Podcasts				

Thanks for Listening

Example: PrefereceActivity w.r.t Checkbox

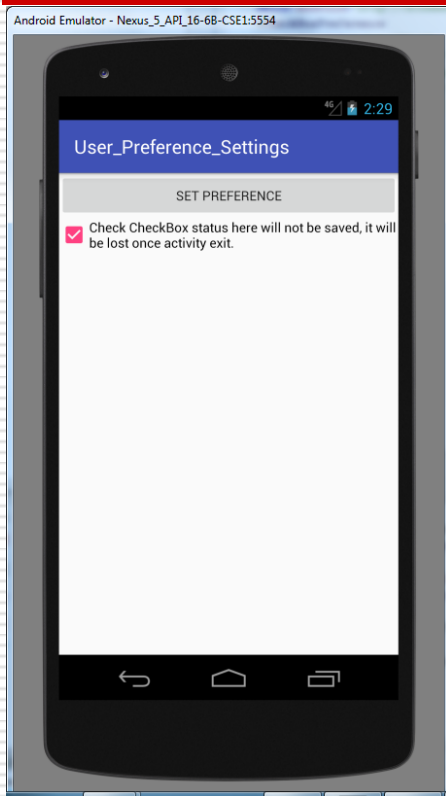


Uncheck the
Checkbox and
Click on "SET PREFERENCE"

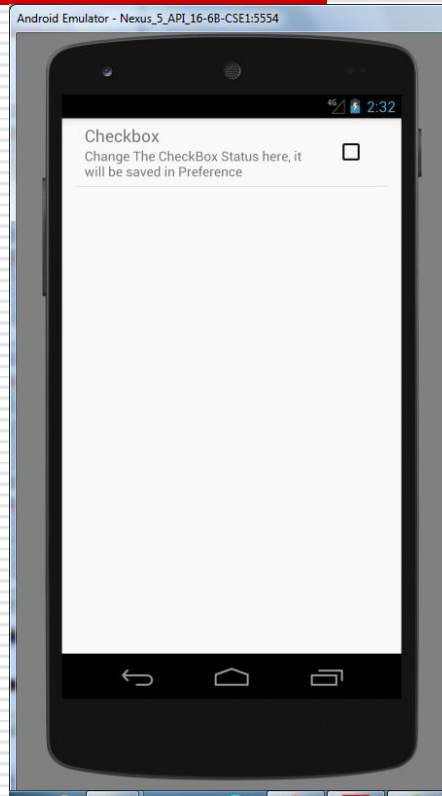


Uncheck the
Checkbox and
Close the app

Example: PreferenceActivity w.r.t Checkbox



After app restart
MainActivity checkbox
Status will not be remembered



But after app restart
"SetPreference" activity
Checkbox status
Will be remembered

activity_main.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<LinearLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    android:orientation="vertical"
    android:layout_width="fill_parent"
    android:layout_height="fill_parent"    >
    <Button
        android:id="@+id/setpreference"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_height="wrap_content"
        android:text="Set Preference" />
    <CheckBox
        android:id="@+id/checkbox"
        android:layout_width="match_parent"
        android:layout_height="100dp"
        android:text="Check CheckBox status here will not be saved, it will be lost once activity exit."
        android:textSize="16sp"/>
</LinearLayout>
```

MainActivity.java

```
public class MainActivity extends AppCompatActivity {
    CheckBox checkBox;
    @Override
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
        setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);

        Button buttonSetPreference = (Button)findViewById(R.id.setpreference);
        checkBox = (CheckBox)findViewById(R.id.checkbox);

        buttonSetPreference.setOnClickListener(new Button.OnClickListener(){

            @Override
            public void onClick(View arg0) {
                // TODO Auto-generated method stub
                startActivity(new Intent(MainActivity.this, SetPreference.class));
            }
        });

        @Override
        protected void onResume() {
            super.onResume();

SharedPreferences myPreference=
PreferenceManager.getDefaultSharedPreferences(MainActivity.this);
checkBox.setChecked(myPreference.getBoolean("checkbox", true));
        }
    }
}
```

AndroidManifest.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    package="umadevi.example.com.user_preference_settings">

    <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>
        <activity android:name=".SetPreference"></activity>
    </application>

</manifest>
```

mypreference.xml

<PreferenceScreen

xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android">

<CheckBoxPreference

android:key="preference_checkbox"

android:title="Checkbox"

android:defaultValue="true"

android:summary="Change The CheckBox Status here, it will be saved in Preference"/>

</PreferenceScreen>

Activity_layout_set_preference.xml

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<RelativeLayout xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools"
    android:id="@+id/activity_layout_set_preference"
    android:layout_width="match_parent"
    android:layout_height="match_parent"
    android:paddingBottom="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
    android:paddingLeft="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
    android:paddingRight="@dimen/activity_horizontal_margin"
    android:paddingTop="@dimen/activity_vertical_margin"
    tools:context="umadevi.example.com.user_preference_settings.SetPreference">

</RelativeLayout>
```

SetPreference.java

```
public class SetPreference extends PreferenceActivity {  
  
    @Override  
    protected void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {  
        // TODO Auto-generated method stub  
        super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);  
        addPreferencesFromResource(R.xml.myreference);  
    }  
}
```

umadevi.example.com.user_preference_settings_preferences.xml

```
<?xml version='1.0' encoding='utf-8' standalone='yes' ?>  
<map>  
  <boolean name="preference_checkbox"  
    value="false" />  
</map>
```