Android Development Tutorial

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Outline

- Setting up the Android Development Environment (Windows)
- Starters Android “Hello World” empty project
- Android project components
- Example: Tabbed application project
- Accessing Sensors on an Android Device: GPS, accelerometers and the Google API
- Database connections – Local SQLite and remote access

Android Development Environment

- Download the latest JDK (Java distribution)

- Download the Eclipse IDE (e.g. Galileo) from: www.eclipse.org/downloads/

- Install the Android SDK starter package from: http://developer.android.com/sdk/index.html

- In Eclipse, install the ADT (Android Developer Tools) plugin: http://developer.android.com/sdk/eclipse-adt.html

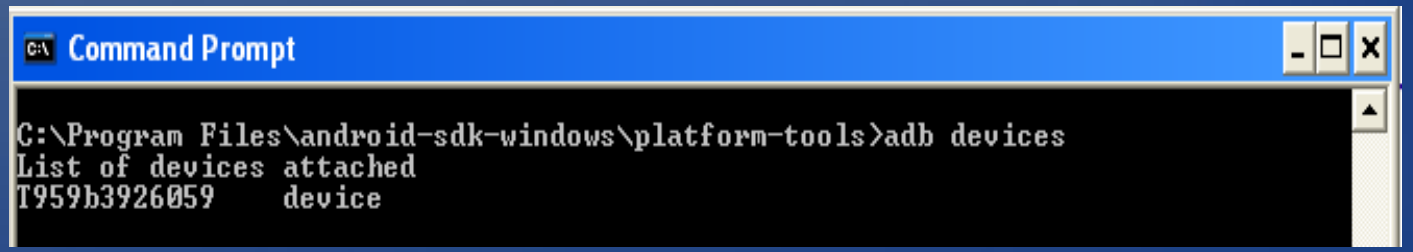
- Instructions on setting up the SDK and development Environment can be found on: http://developer.android.com/sdk/installing.html

The Android SDK starter package

- Not the full development environment, includes the core SDK tools

- Keep track of where you have downloaded this it is required for the ADT plugin setup, e.g. C:\Program Files\android-sdk-windows\platform-tools>

- Useful for “adb” commands



The ADT plugin

- Gives access to Android development tools from within the Eclipse IDE
- Automates the process of building a new Android project by setting up all the basic files needed for development
- Allows code signing of your app so it can be distributed

Installing the ADT plugin

(Link: http://developer.android.com/sdk/eclipse-adt.html#installing)

To simplify ADT setup, it is recommend installing the Android SDK prior to installing ADT

.Eclipse 3.5 (Galileo) and 3.6 (Helios)

1.Start Eclipse, then select Help>Install New Software....
2.Click Add, in the top-right corner.
3.In the *Add Repository* dialog that appears, enter "ADT Plugin" for the *Name* and the following URL for the *Location*:
https://dl-ssl.google.com/android/eclipse/
Note: If you have troubles try using "http" instead of "https"Click OK.
4.In the *Available Software* dialog, select the checkbox next to *Developer Tools* and click Next.
5.In the next window, you'll see a list of the tools to be downloaded. Click Next.
6.Read and accept the license agreements, then click Finish.

7.When the installation completes, restart Eclipse.

Configuring the ADT plugin

1. Select **Window**>**Preferences...**to open the Preferences panel (Mac OS X:**Eclipse**>**Preferences**).

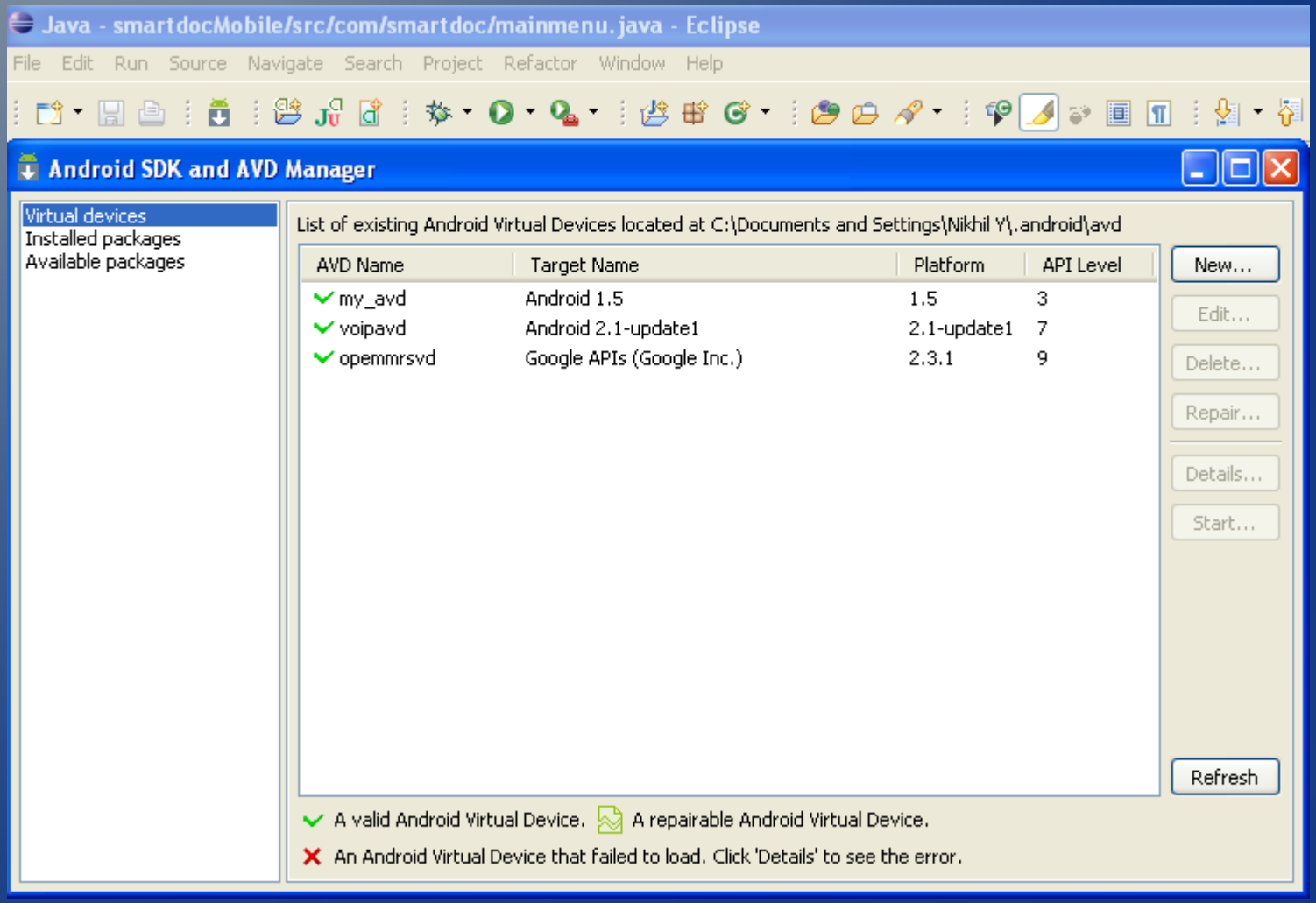
2. Select **Android** from the left panel.

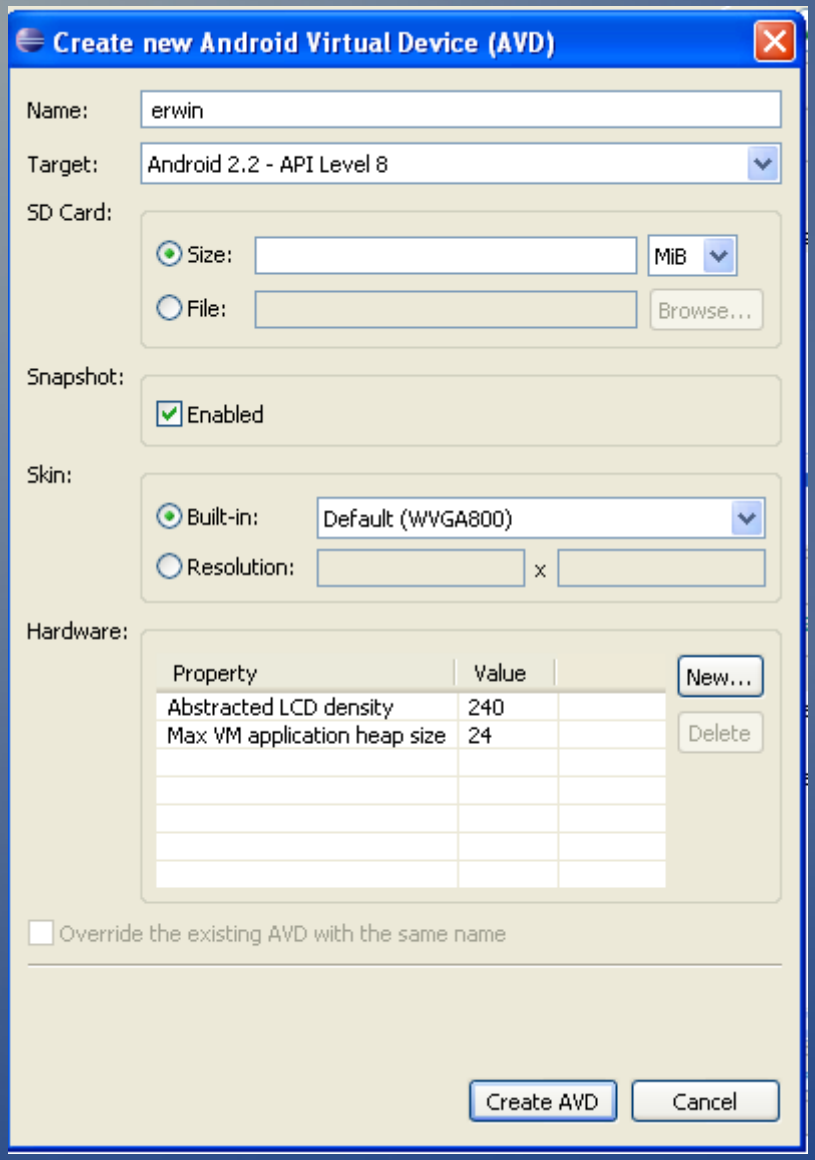
3. For the *SDK Location* in the main panel, click **Browse...**and locate your downloaded SDK directory (e.g. C:\Program Files\android-sdk-windows\)

4. Click **Apply**, then **OK**

Android SDK and AVD manager

- Add your virtual development devices using this
- AVD is a target device simulator: no sensors

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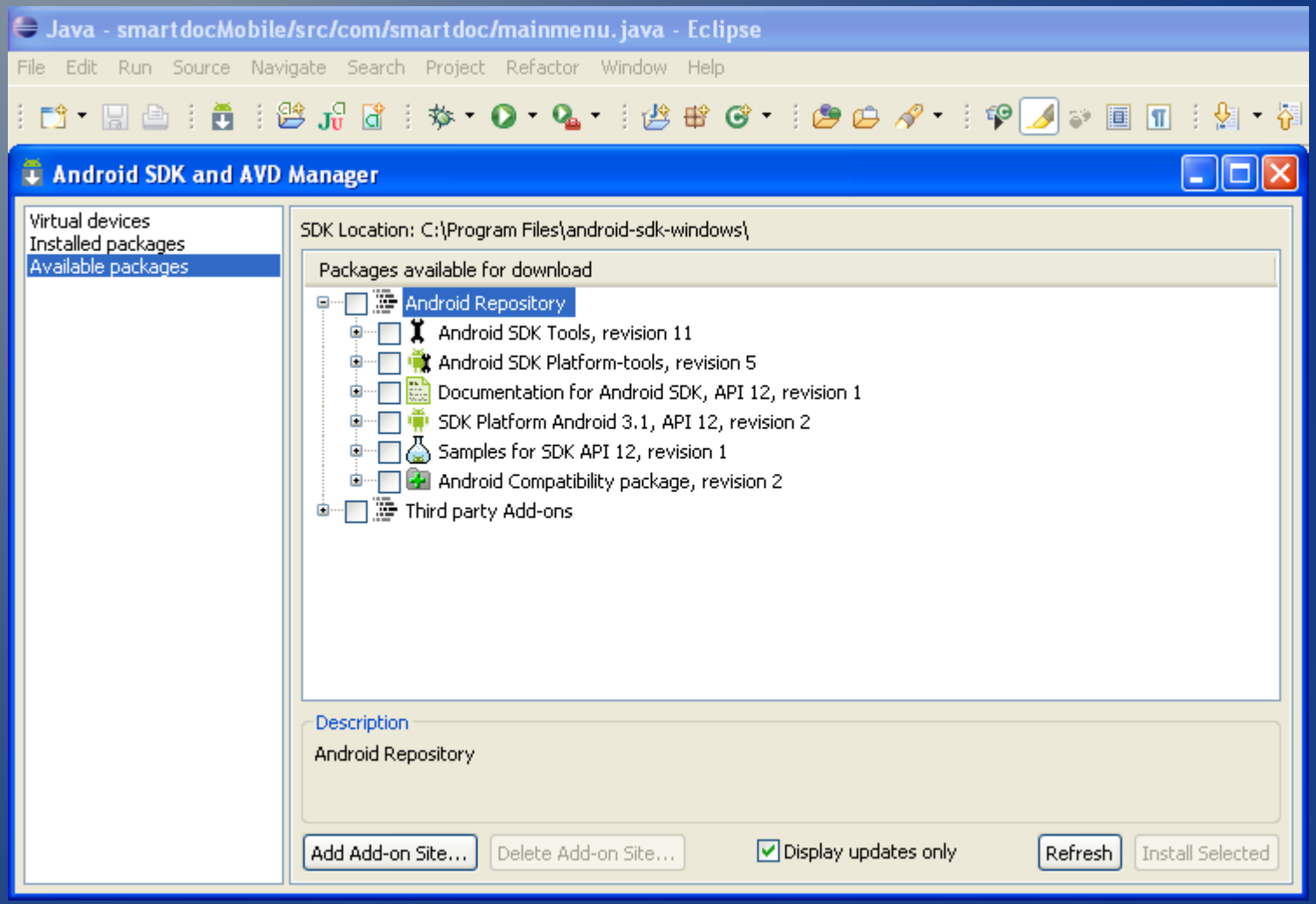
Android SDK and AVD Manager

- Used for updating Android SDK tools etc.



Pointers

Update the system's PATH variable to recognize two folders inside your **android-sdk-winwows**. The first is: **tools** and the second is **platform-tools**.

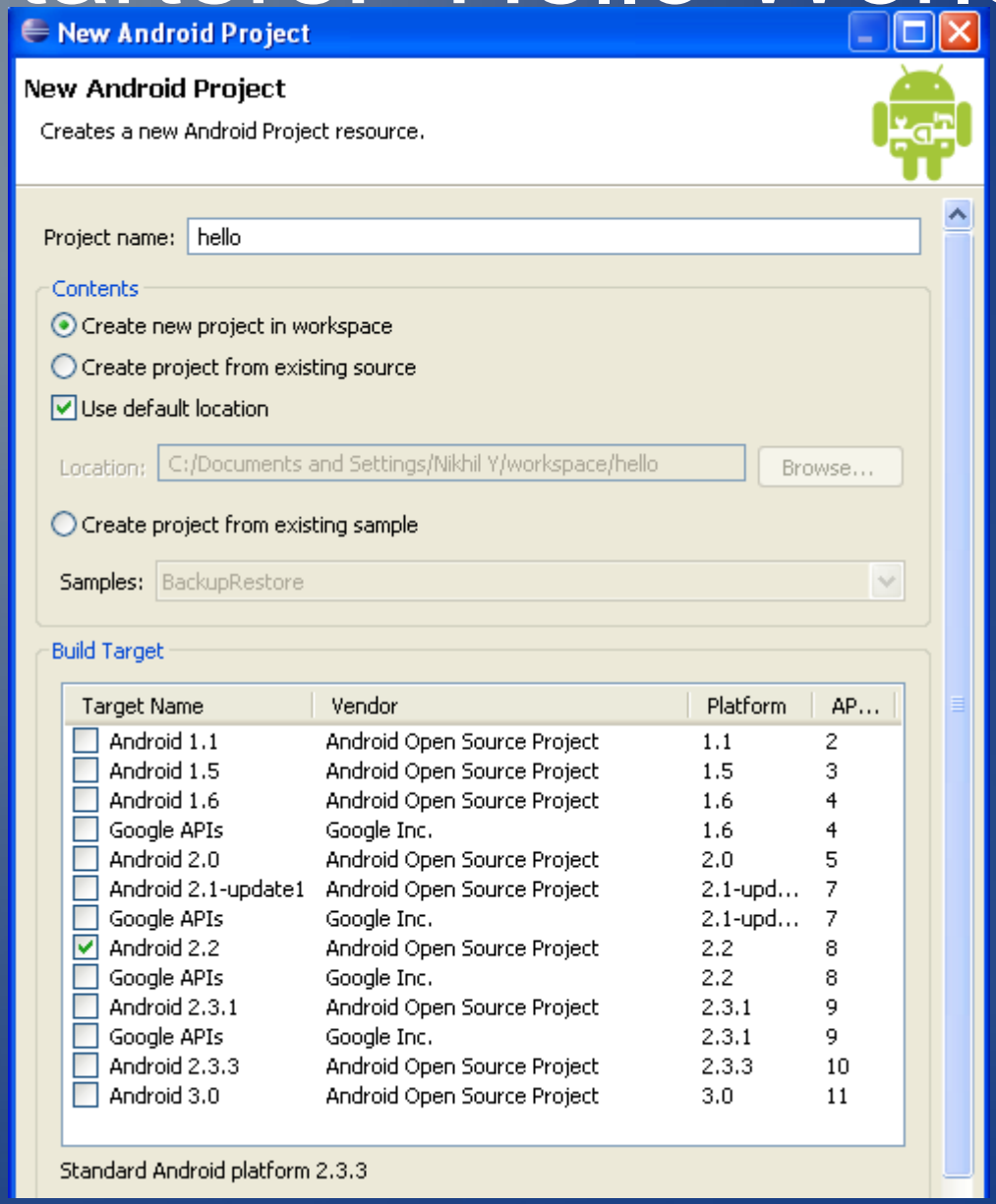
1. Windows > Start > Control Panel > System > Advanced > Environment Variables > System Variables > PATH > Edit
2. Add references to the sub-folders mentioned above. In this example: c:\android-sdk-windows\tools;C:\android-sdk-windows\platform-tools;
3. OK

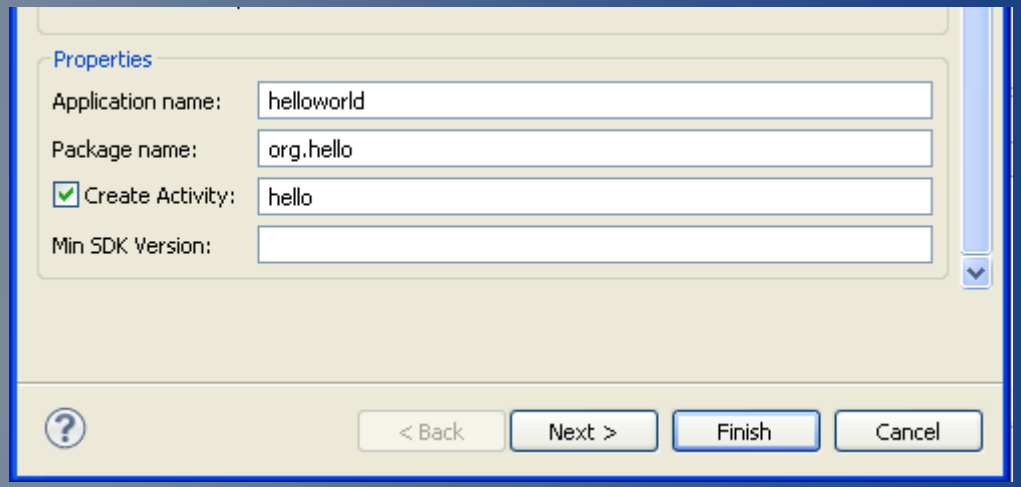
Make sure Java and Eclipse Environments and path variables are setup correctly:

Some interesting tutorials on Android projects can be found on:

http://www.hometutorials.com/google-android.html

Starters: “Hello World”

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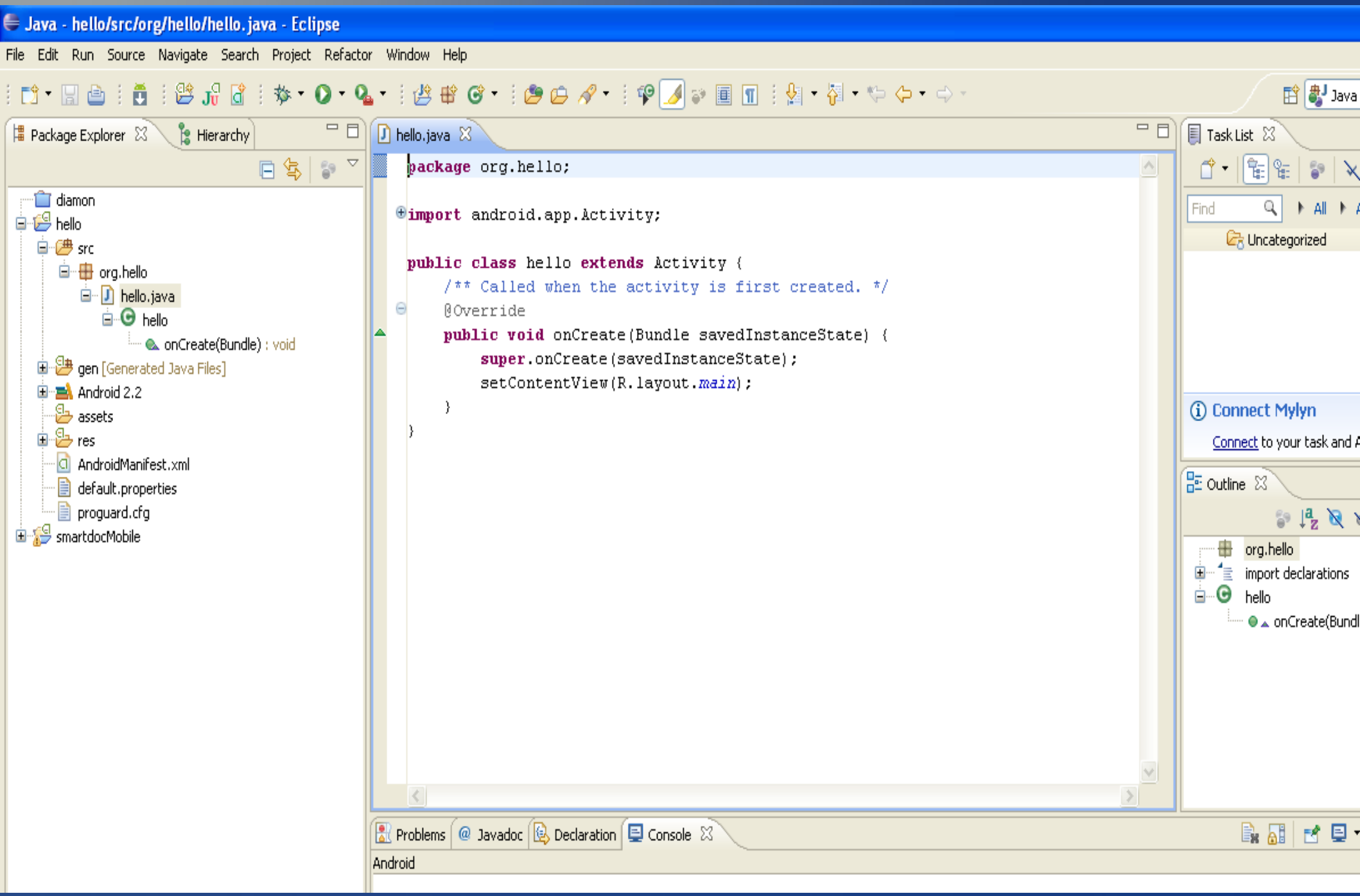
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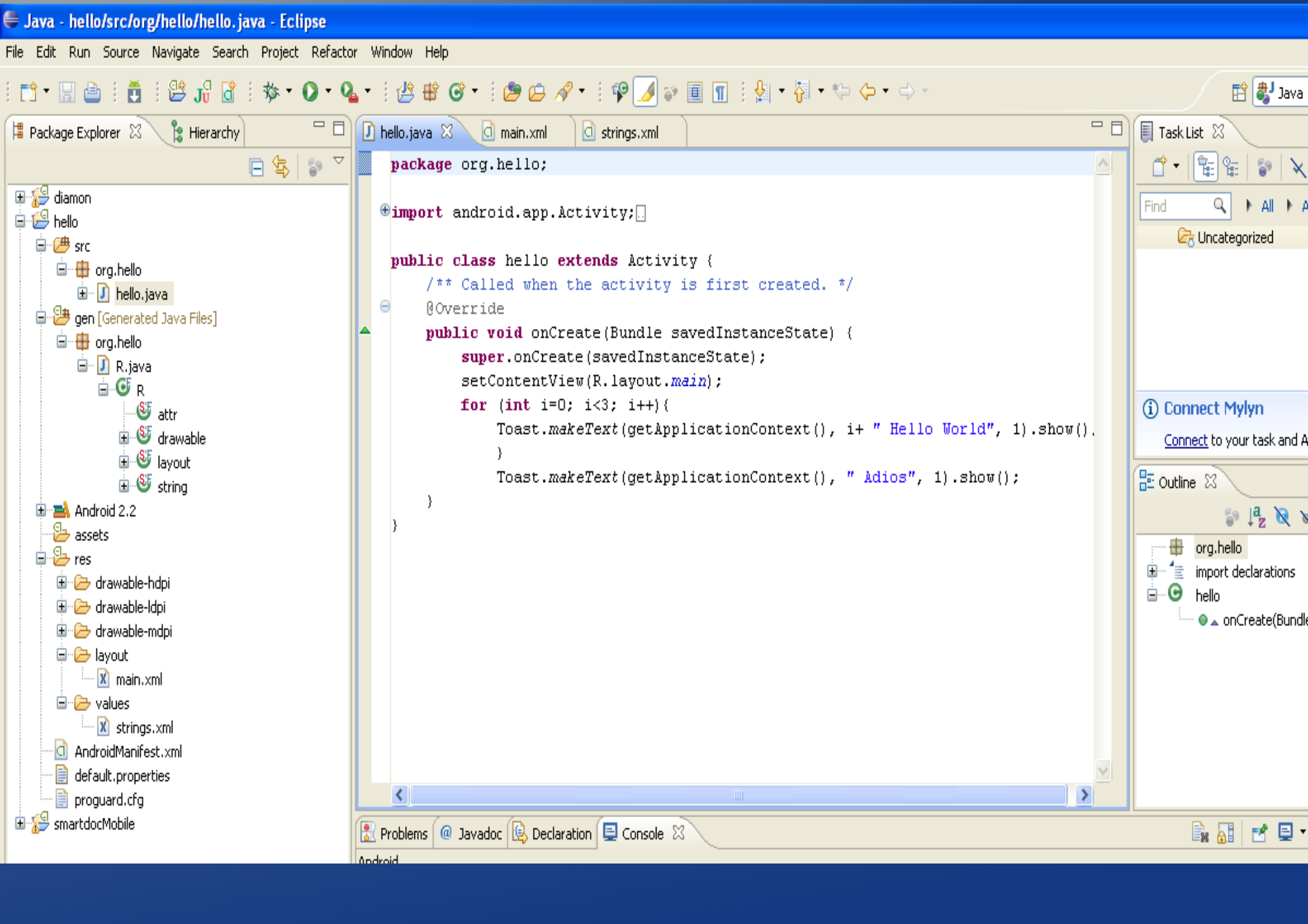
Android Project Components

Once you complete the New Project Wizard, ADT creates the following folders and files in your new project:

- **src/** Includes your stub Activity Java file. All other Java files for your application go here.
- ***<Android Version>/*** (e.g., Android 1.5/) Includes the android.jar file that your application will build against.
- **gen/** This contains the Java files generated by ADT, such as your R.java file and interfaces created from AIDL files.
- **assets/**This is empty. You can use it to store raw asset files.
- **res/**A folder for your application resources, such as *drawable* files, *layout* files, *string* values, etc.
- **AndroidManifest.xml** The Android Manifest for your project.
- **default.properties**This file contains project settings, such as the build target.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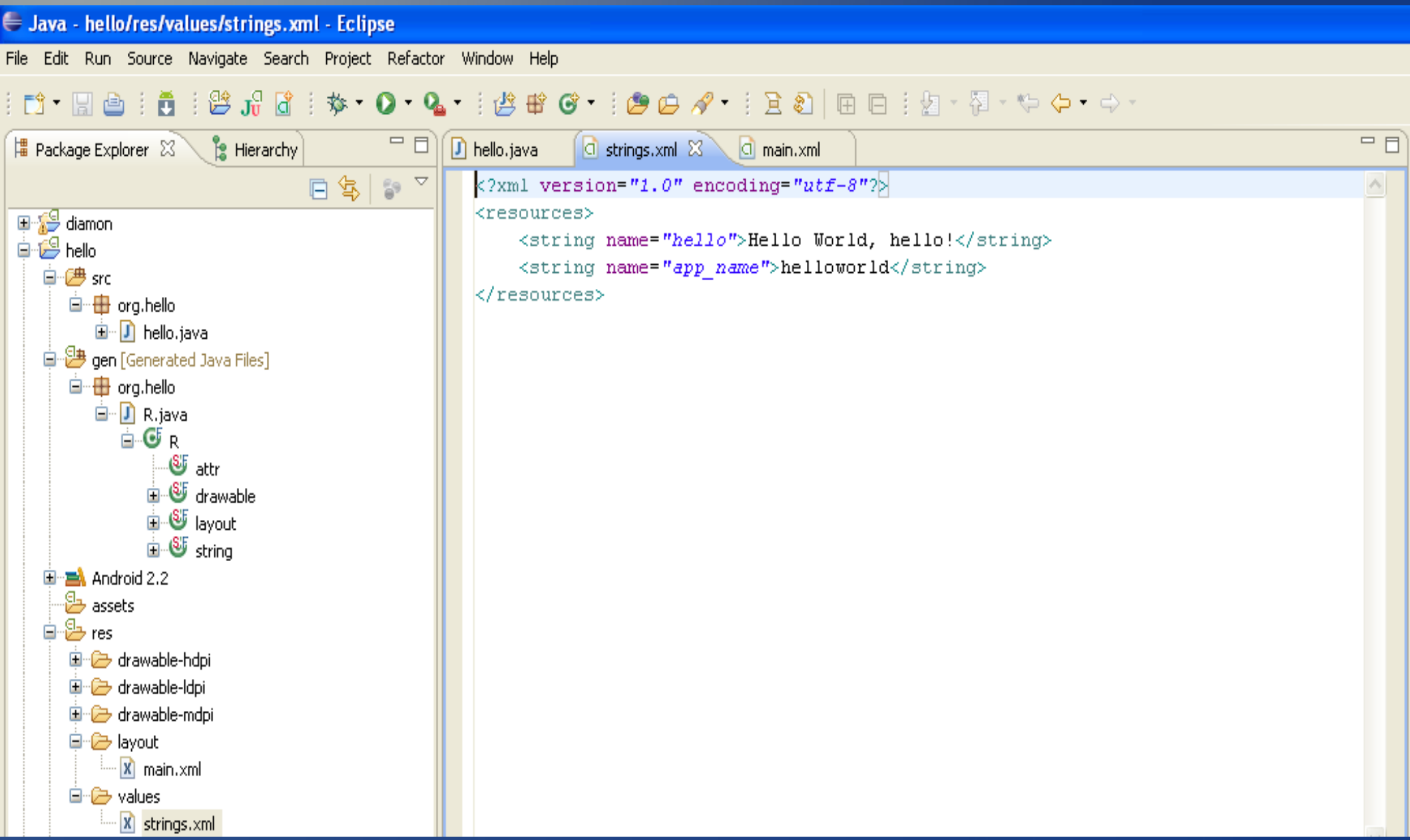
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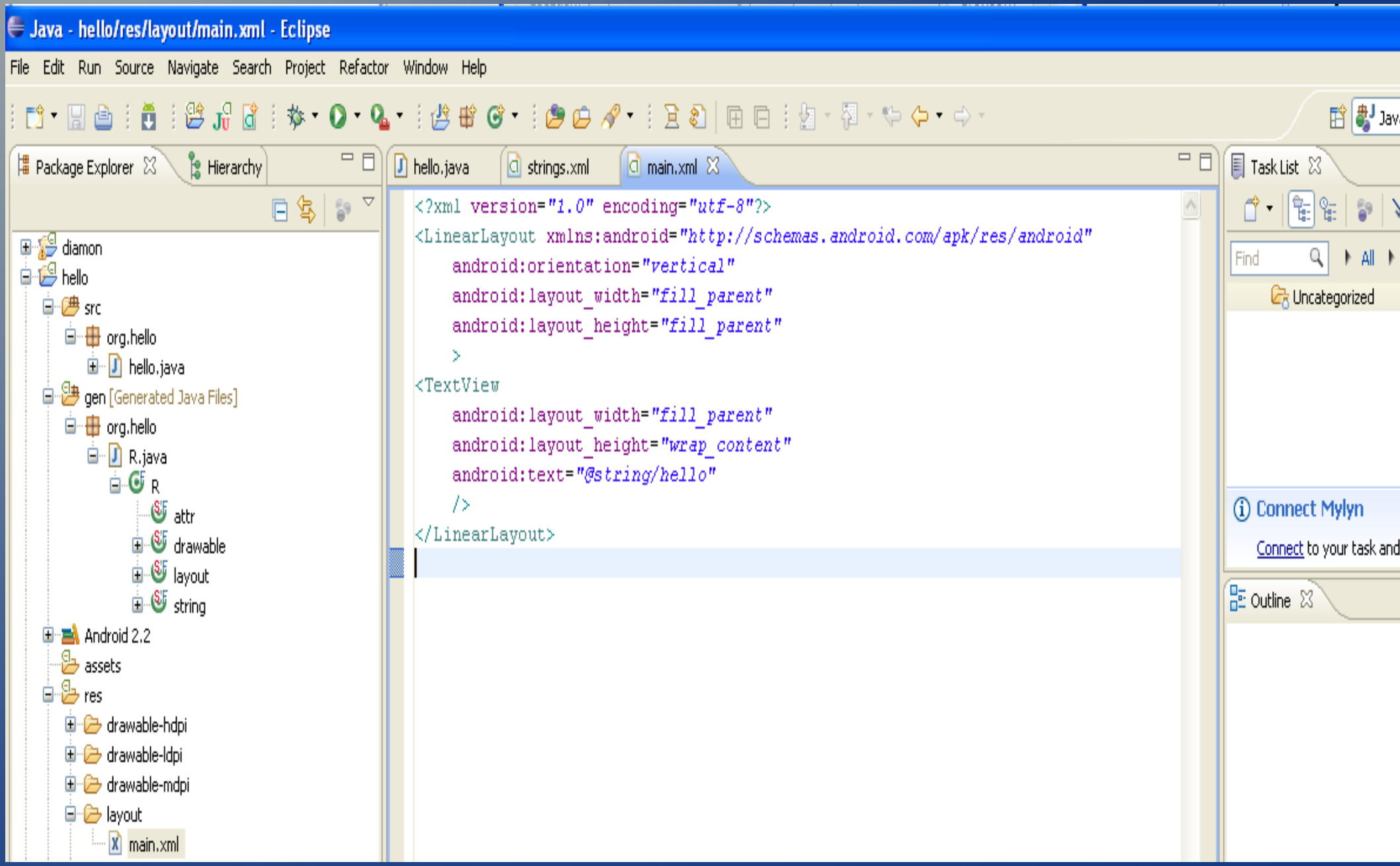
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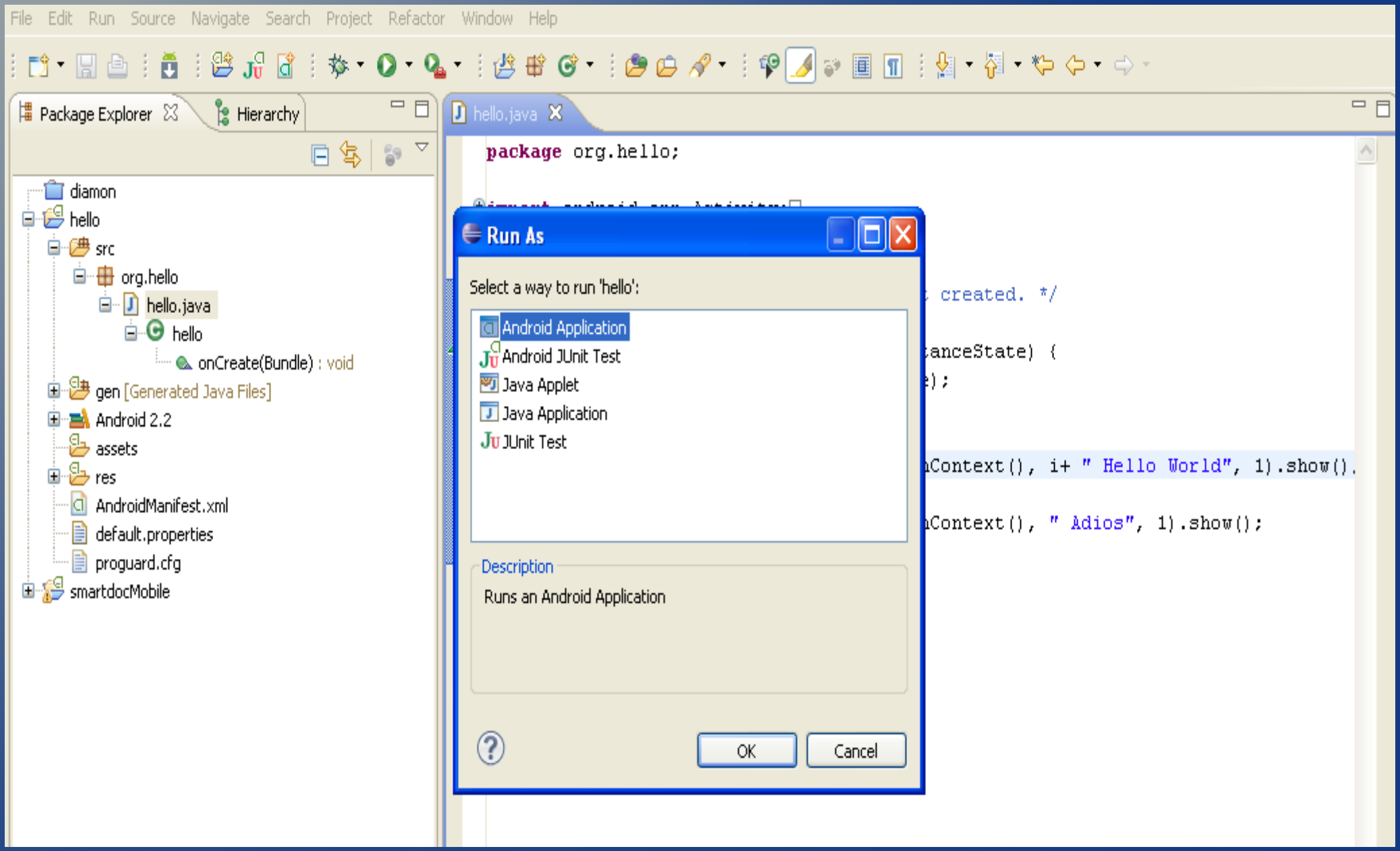
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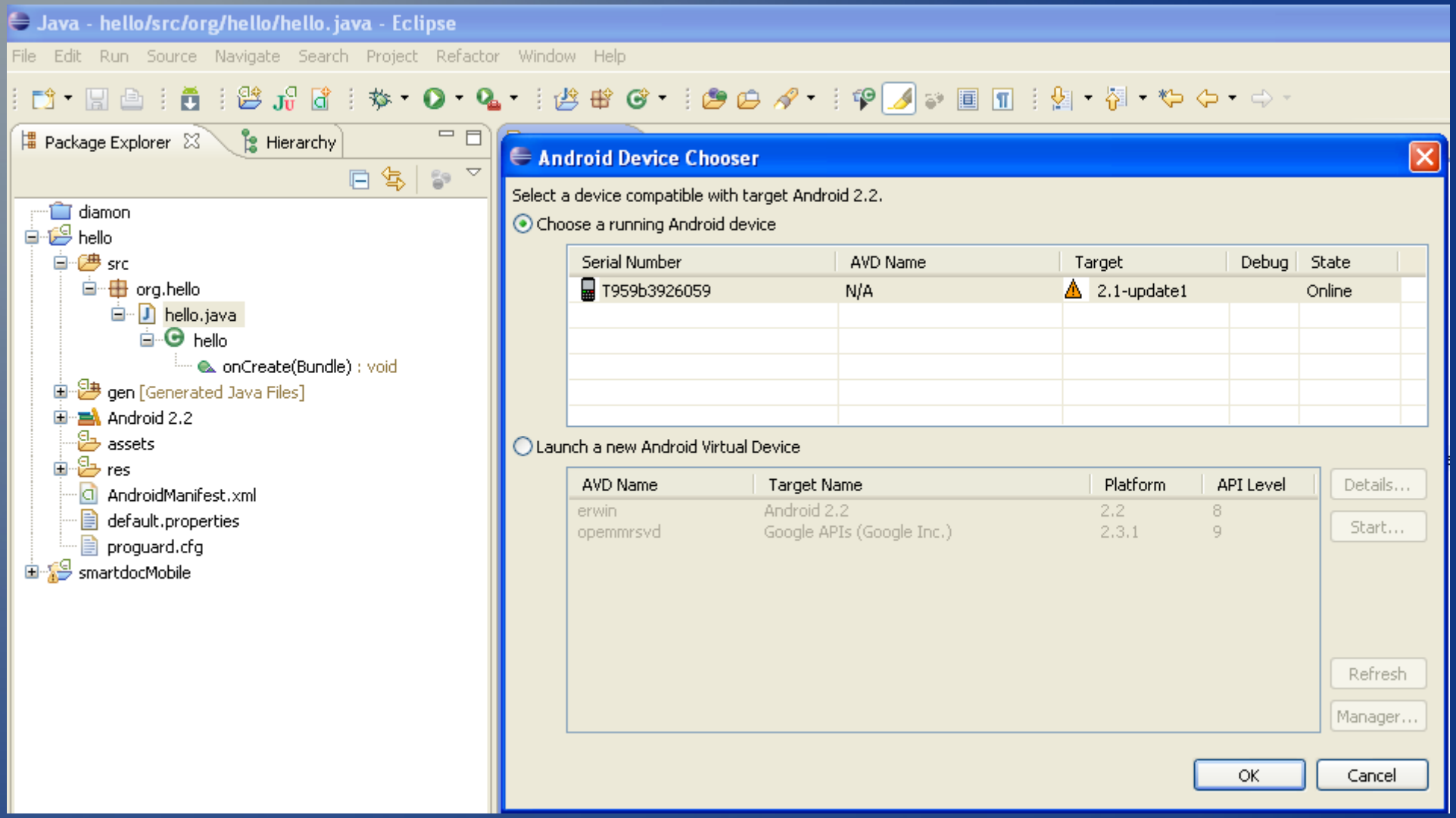
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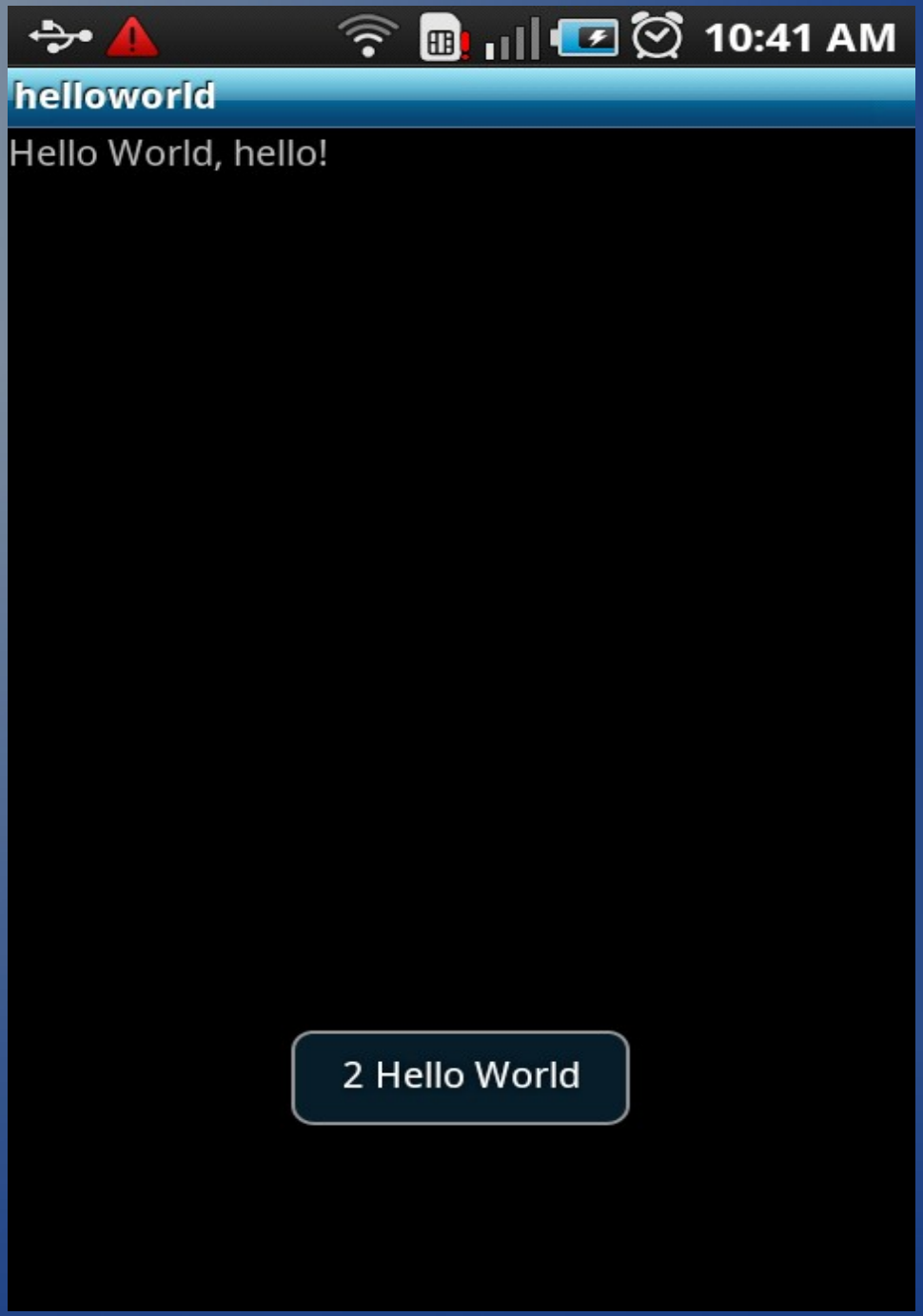
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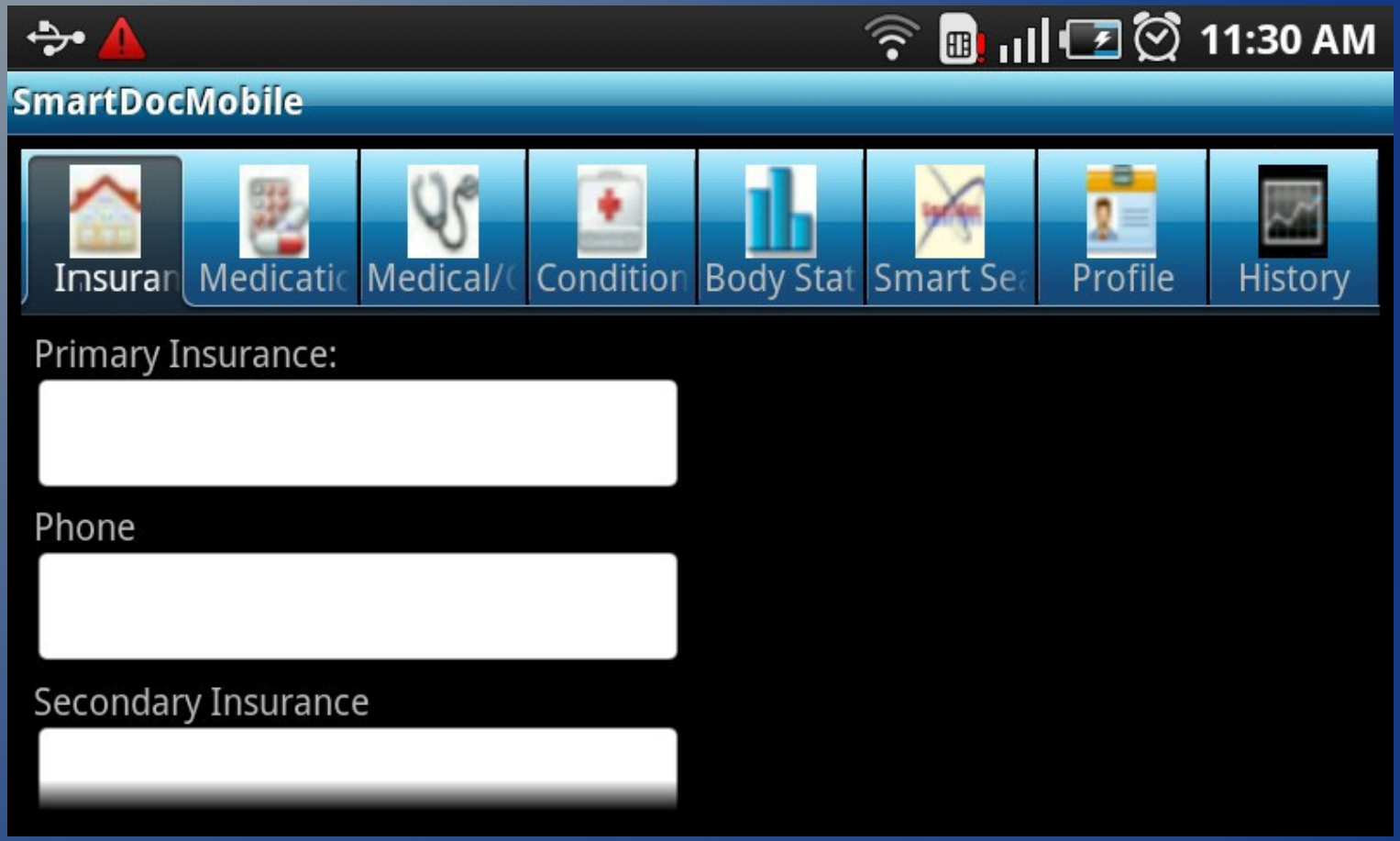
A Tabbed application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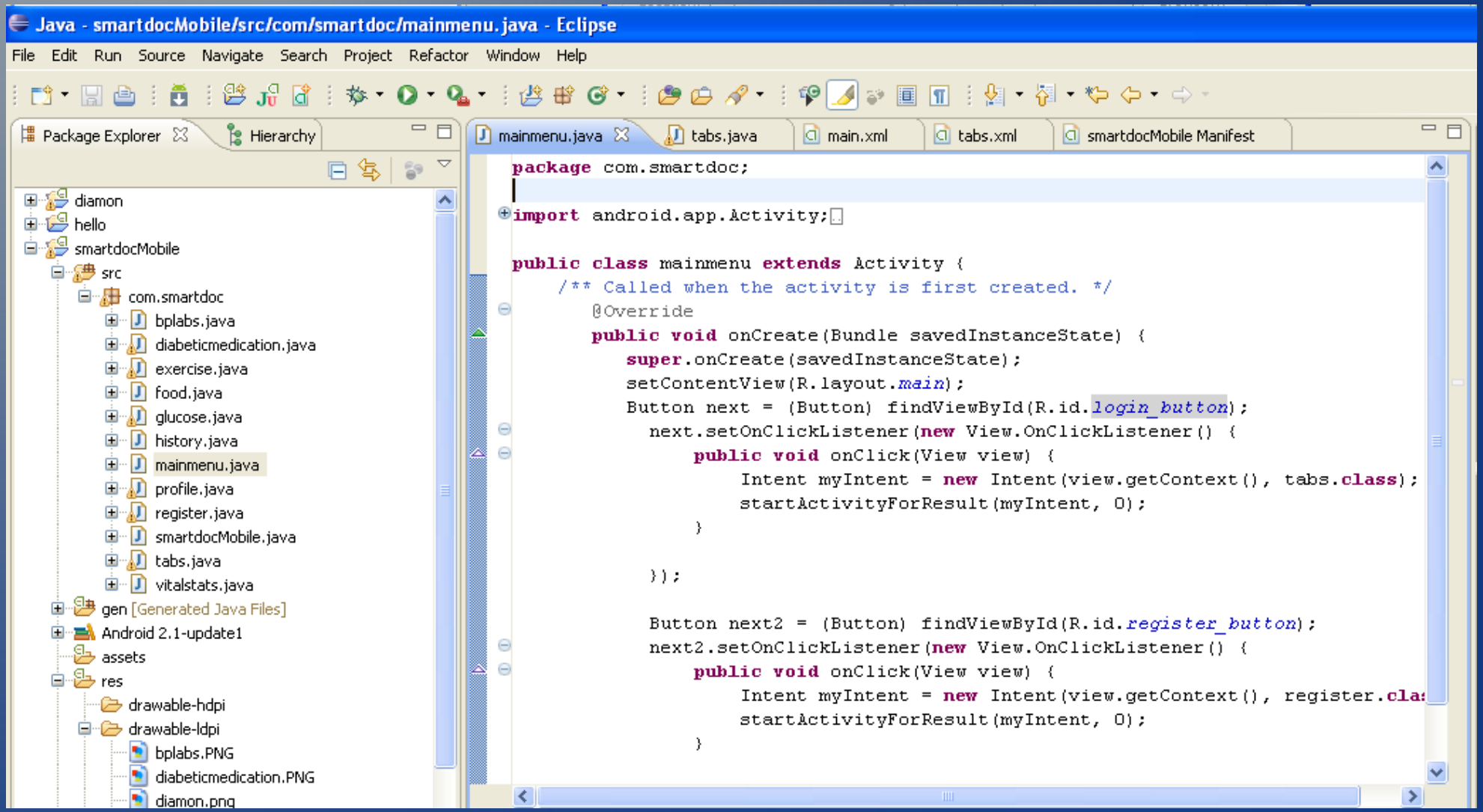

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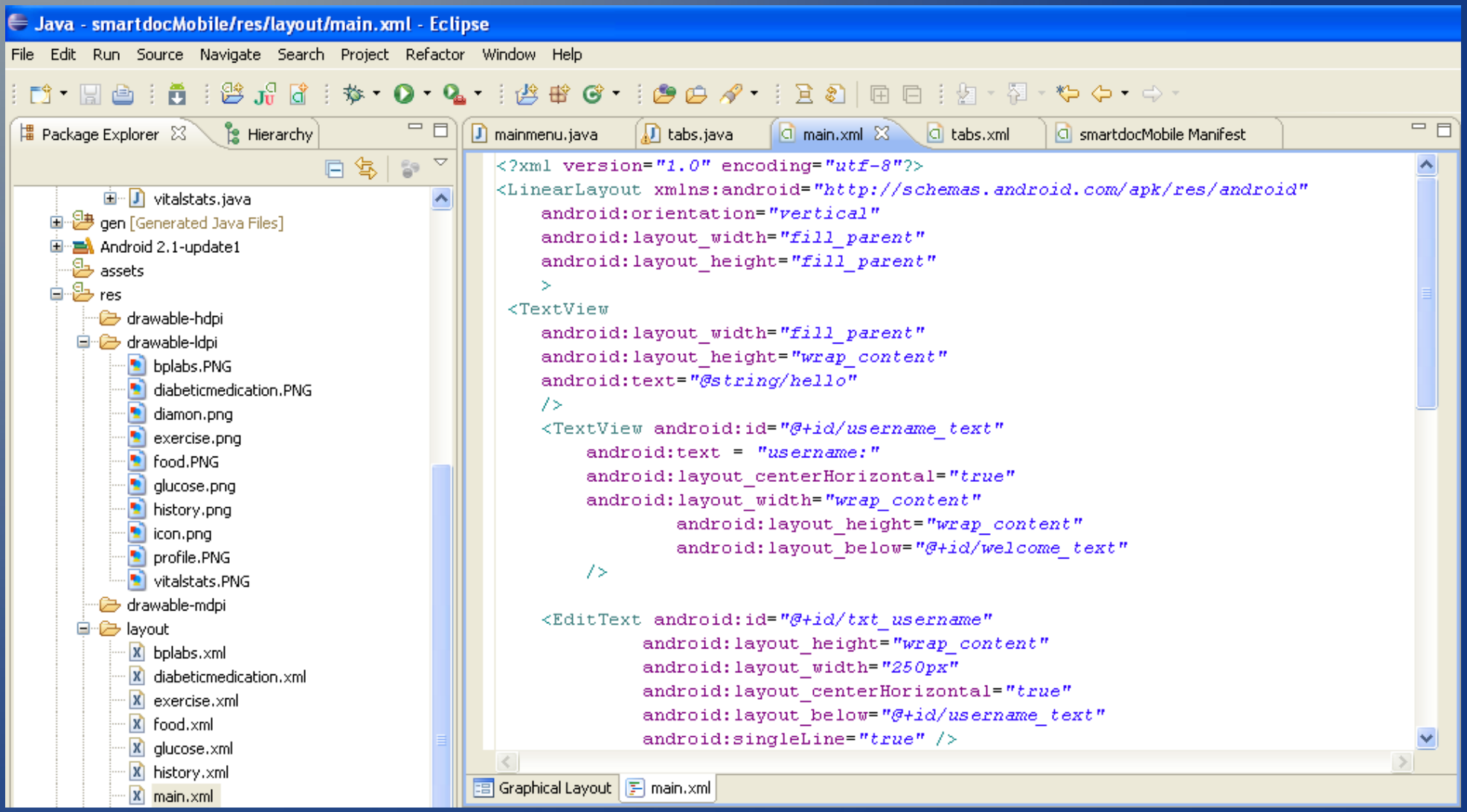
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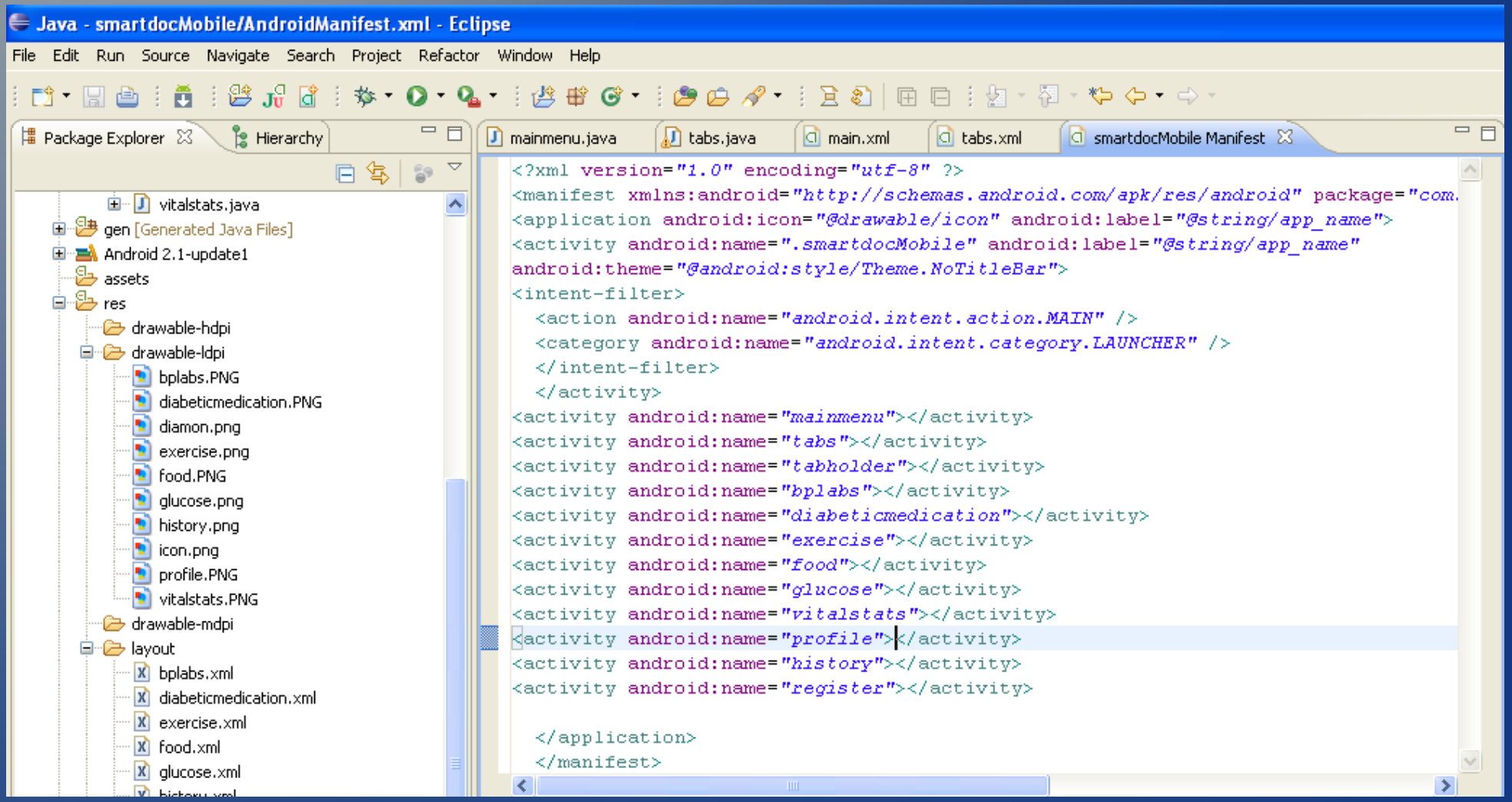
Android Manifest.xml



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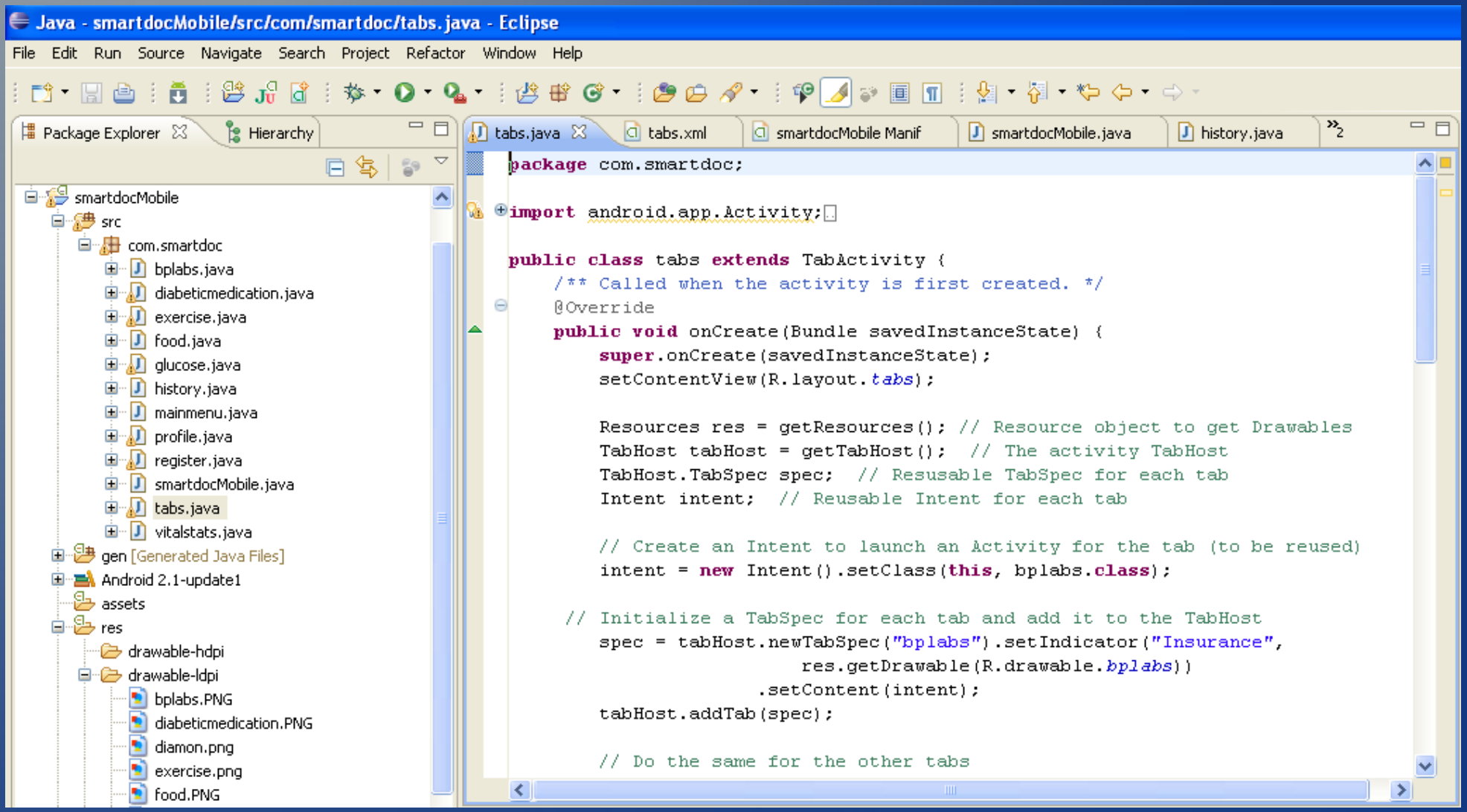
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import android.app.Activity;
public class tabs extends TabActivity {
/** Called when the activity is first created. */
@Override
public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
setContentView(R.layout.tabs);
Resources res = getResources(); // Resource object to get Drawables
TabHost tabHost = getTabHost(); // The activity TabHost
TabHost.TabSpec spec; // Resusable TabSpec for each tab
Intent intent; // Reusable Intent for each tab
// Create an Intent to launch an Activity for the tab (to be reused)
intent = new Intent().setClass(this, bplabs.class);
// Initialize a TabSpec for each tab and add it to the TabHost
spec = tabHost.newTabSpec("bplabs").setIndicator("Insurance",
res.getDrawable(R.drawable.bplabs))
.setContent(intent);
tabHost.addTab(spec);
// Do the same for the other tabs

Accessing Sensors

There are various sensors on the Android phones, e.g. GPS, camera, accelerometer

- Cannot be tested on Simulator
- Tutorial and sample source code to use GPS and accelerometer sensors available soon
- Using the Wi-Fi and Bluetooth Interfaces instructions on:

http://www.tutorialforandroid.com/2009/10/turn-off-turn-on-wifi-in-android-using.html
http://developer.android.com/guide/topics/wireless/bluetooth.html

GPS Sensor Access

- To use GPS functionality in your Android application, you'll need to add the ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION permission to the AndroidManifest.xml file.

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<uses-permission
android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_FINE_LOCATION" />
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- In Android, location-based services are provided by the LocationManager class located in the android.location package.

- Using the LocationManager class, your application can obtain periodic updates of the device's geographical locations as well as fire an intent when it enters the proximity of a certain location.

Accelerometer and Access to other Sensors

- An instance of the SensorManager is required in order to retrieve informations about the supported sensors.

- No permission is required to access the sensor service. It is then possible to retrieve the list of available sensors of a certain type.

- For an accelerometer sensor, the type to use is given by the Sensor.TYPE_ACCELEROMETER constant.

- If at least one Sensor exists, it is possible to register a SensorEventListener for a Sensor of the list.

- It is possible to specify the delivering rate for sensor events. Specified rate must be one of :

SensorManager.SENSOR_DELAY_FASTEST : as fast as possible

SensorManager.SENSOR_DELAY_GAME : rate suitable for game

SensorManager.SENSOR_DELAY_NORMAL : normal rate

SensorManager.SENSOR_DELAY_UI : rate suitable for UI Thread

Android and Databases

- Access to remote database e.g. MySQL can occur using a PHP script hosted on the server performing the query and JSON formatting for data exchange for reference check out the example at:

http://www.helloandroid.com/tutorials/connecting-mysql-database

- Local light weight database system.

http://developer.android.com/reference/android/database/sqlite/SQLiteDatabase.html

Questions?

http://developer.android.com/index.html