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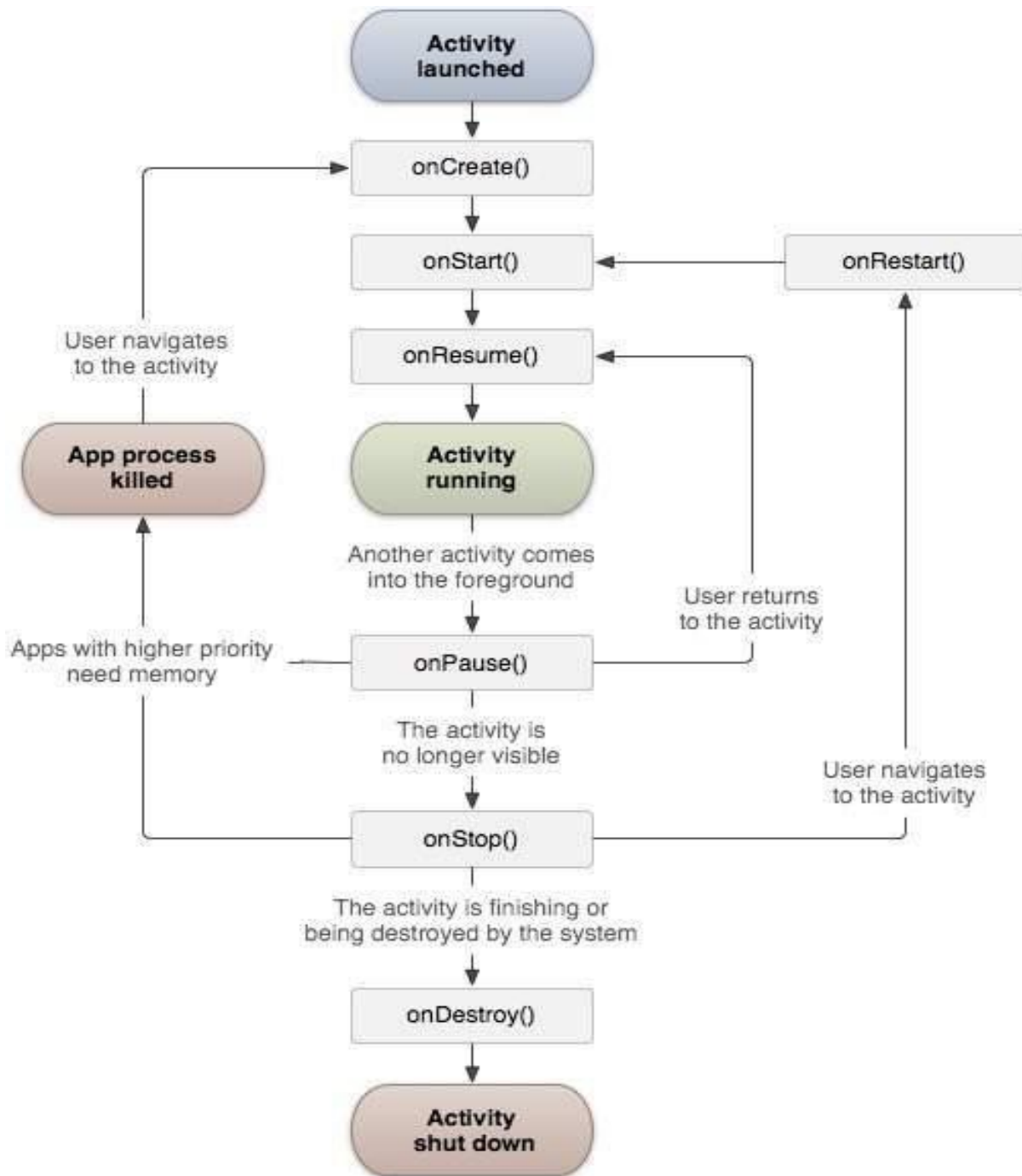### COIMBATORE – 35
DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER SIENCE AND ENGINEERING

UNIT II
BUILDING BLOCKS OF MOBILE APPS-I

Syllabus:

App user interface designing – mobile UI resources (Layout, UI elements, Draw-able, Menu), Activity-states and life cycle, **interaction amongst activities.** App functionality beyond user interface - Threads,Async task,Services–statesandlifecycle,Notifications.

Interaction amongst activities

```java
ackage com.example.tutorialspoint7.myapplication;

import android.content.Intent;
import android.support.v7.app.AppCompatActivity;
import android.os.Bundle;

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import android.app.Activity;
import android.util.Log;
import android.view.View;

public class MainActivity extends Activity {
   String msg = "Android : ";

   /** Called when the activity is first created. */
   @Override
   public void onCreate(Bundle savedInstanceState) {
      super.onCreate(savedInstanceState);
      setContentView(R.layout.activity_main);
      Log.d(msg, "The onCreate() event");
   }

   public void startService(View view) {
      startService(new Intent(getBaseContext(), MyService.class));
   }

   // Method to stop the service
   public void stopService(View view) {
      stopService(new Intent(getBaseContext(), MyService.class));
   }
}
```

Following is the content of **MyService.java**. This file can have implementation of one or more methods associated with Service based on requirements. For now we are going to implement only two methods *onStartCommand()* and *onDestroy()* −

```java
package com.example.tutorialspoint7.myapplication;

import android.app.Service;
import android.content.Intent;
import android.os.IBinder;
import android.support.annotation.Nullable;
import android.widget.Toast;

/**
   * Created by TutorialsPoint7 on 8/23/2016.
*/

public class MyService extends Service {
```

```java
    @Nullable
    @Override
    public IBinder onBind(Intent intent) {
        return null;
    }

    @Override
    public int onStartCommand(Intent intent, int flags, int startId) {
        // Let it continue running until it is stopped.
        Toast.makeText(this, "Service Started", Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
        return START_STICKY;
    }

    @Override
    public void onDestroy() {
        super.onDestroy();
        Toast.makeText(this, "Service Destroyed", Toast.LENGTH_LONG).show();
    }
}
```

Following will the modified content of *AndroidManifest.xml* file. Here we have added <service.../> tag to include our service −

```xml
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?>
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    package="com.example.tutorialspoint7.myapplication">

    <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>

        <service android:name=".MyService" />
    </application>

</manifest>
```