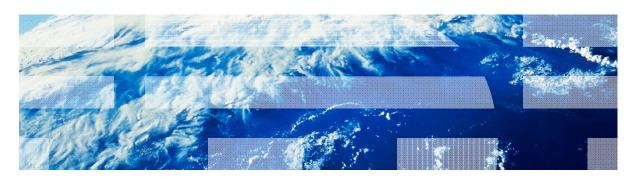


# IBM Worklight V5.0.5 Getting Started

## **Module 17 – Direct Update**





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## **About Direct Update**

- With Direct Update, hybrid iOS and Android applications can automatically be updated with new versions of their web resources, without involving the user.
- Hybrid applications are written in HTML and can access native device features, and the applications web resources can be downloaded on the users' device, like mobile web applications.



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## Advantages

- As with mobile web applications, organizations can now ensure that users always use the latest version of the application.
- There is a better control of application versions, by notifying users of pending updates or blocking the access of obsolete versions.
- Time for the application store review process is reduced.
- Applications deployed to the Worklight® Server are automatically pushed to users' devices.



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### Restrictions

- Direct update of application web resources:
  - Support for iOS and Android only.
  - Update is for the app web resources only.
    - To update native resources, you must upload a new version to the application store.
- OS-specific restrictions:
  - Android: no restrictions
  - iOS:
    - B2C: per the terms of service of your company; usually at least bug fixes are allowed
    - B2E: through the enterprise developer program

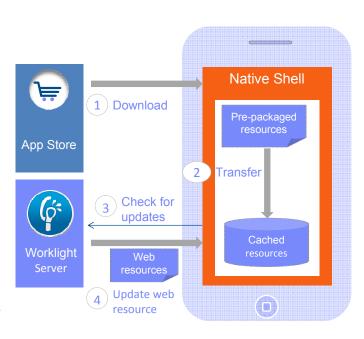


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#### Internal function

- Web resources are initially packaged with the application to ensure first offline availability.
- Web resources are transferred to cache storage in application.
- Application checks for updates
  - At startup
  - On return to foreground
- Updated web resources are downloaded when necessary.





#### **Distribution**



(\*) During development cycles, testers automatically get recent web resources through internal distribution mechanisms and not application stores.



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## User experience

- Detection at startup and foreground
- Dialog for easy user selection
- Application download progress bar







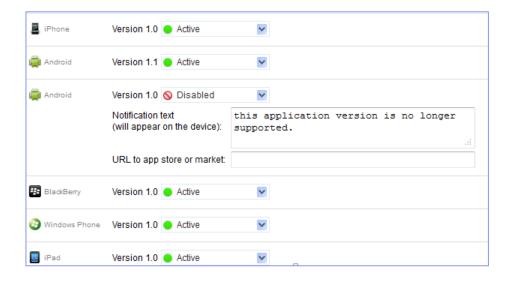


The web part of the application is automatically reloaded after update



## Disabling old application versions

 You can use the Worklight Console to disable obsolete versions and notify users about available updates





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