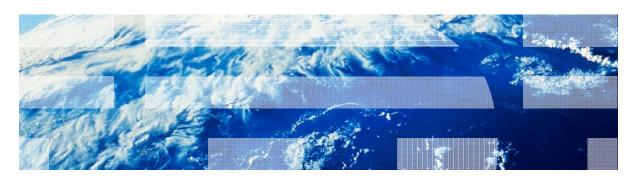


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Apache Cordova overview





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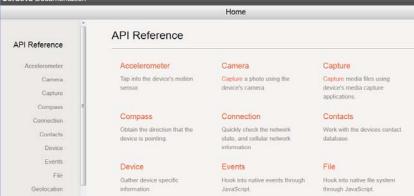


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What is Apache Cordova?

- Apache Cordova is an open source mobile development framework
- Cordova provides a JavaScript[™] API that allows developers to access native mobile device features and even execute native code by using JavaScript
- The Cordova framework is integrated into IBM Worklight® iOS and Android projects Cordova Documentation



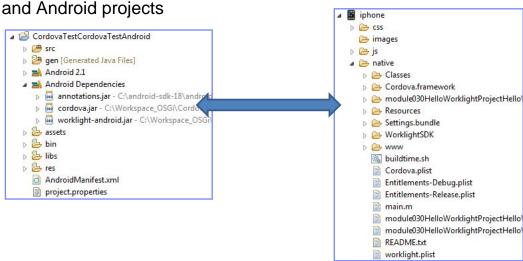


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Apache Cordova in iOS and Android Projects

The Cordova framework is automatically added into Worklight iOS



A developer can start it using the JavaScript API



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Calling a native alert notification from JavaScript on iOS and Android devices



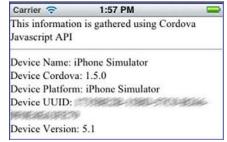


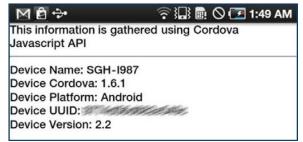
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Getting device hardware and software information











Apache Cordova usage samples

- For detailed documentation and samples see:
 - Apache Cordova website http://cordova.apache.org/
 - Apache Cordova Wiki http://wiki.apache.org/cordova/
 - Running the Dojo Mobile-based Apache Cordova sample



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- You can do a lot with web technologies only
- Apache Cordova provides greater flexibility, allowing JavaScript access to native phone features

However, there are still cases where web technologies are not

enough

- For example:
 - Augmented reality
 - Barcode scanner
 - Opening a native contacts page

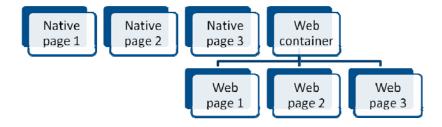




- IBM Worklight provides ways to augment your web application with native pages
- By using Worklight hybrid coding, you can perform the following functions:
 - Navigate freely between web and native pages
 - Share data between pages
 - Share a single server session
 - Implement your own functions by creating Apache Cordova plugins
- Adding native pages to your web application is available out-of-the box for iOS and Android platforms



- A developer writes one or more native pages
- A developer writes one or more web pages
- The Worklight web API allows navigation to native pages and back including the passing of data back and forth
- IBM Worklight provides a native API to communicate with the Worklight Server from the native page
- Cookies are shared between web and native, allowing seamless client-server integration





- JavaScript API to activate native page
 WL.NativePage.show(className, callback, data);
- The web page invokes the native class className, with the parameter data and calls the callback function on return
- Example:

 The following training modules explain how to integrate native pages in hybrid applications



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Extending hybrid functionality with Cordova plug-ins

- In some cases, you do not require to have a native page but do want to perform some actions in a native code
- Examples might be
 - Retrieving device's data that is not available on JavaScript level, for example, certificates from keystore
 - Using native third party library that is embedded in application
 - Performing complex calculation or encryption that takes too much time in JavaScript.
- The solution for such UI-less native functionality is to implement a Cordova Plug-in
- The following training modules explain how to add native functionality to hybrid applications



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