Case Study: Development of Mobile Operating System

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Abstract: Now-a-days, mobile phone places a major role in each individual's life from agriculture to personal work. Many of us are not aware that main part in mobile phone is Operating System. This paper discusses about few Operating System used in smart phone in detail.

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I. INTRODUCTION

An operating system is system software that manages hardware and software i.e. it is an interface between user and computer hardware. It controls the execution of user programs to prevent errors and improper use of the system. The main objective of operating system is to control and coordinate the use of system resources. It provides a suitable environment for a user to access the available resources. It also increases the productivity of processing resource of device and use the hardware in an efficient manner. Each mobile has consists of an operating system. A mobile operating system is also called as mobile OS which operating system that allows devices such as phones, tablets and many other handheld devices to run applications and programs. Phone starts up when a device is turned on. It has included the features of a personal computer operating system as well.

The timeline of Mobile Operating System

- ➤ 1973-1993 Mobile phones used embedded systems.
- ➤ 1994 The first smartphone with touchscreen, email, PDA features.
- ➤ 1996 Palm OS was introduced.
- ➤ 1998 Symbian OS was developed by Symbian Ltd.
- ➤ 1999 Nokia S40 platform was introduced.
- ➤ 2000 Symbian OS on a smartphone with the launch of Ericsson R380.
- ➤ 2001 Kyocera 6035, smartphone with Palm OS.
- ➤ 2002 Introduction of Microsoft's Windows CE (Pocket PC), BlackBerry released its first smartphone.
- ➤ 2005 Nokia introduced Maemo OS.
- ➤ 2007 Apple iPhone with iOS was introduced, Google formed Open Handset Alliance (OHA).
- ➤ 2008 OHA released Android.
- ➤ 2009 Palm introduced WebOS, Samsung announced Bada OS.
- ➤ 2010 Windows Phone was released.
- ➤ 2011 A mobile Linux distribution MeeGo was introduced.
- ➤ 2012 Apple released iOS 6.
- ➤ 2013 BlackBerry released OS, Apple released iOS 7, Google released Android KitKat 4.4.
- ➤ 2014 Microsoft released Windows Phone 8.1, Apple released iOS 8, BlackBerry released 10.3, Google released Android 5.0 Lollipop.
- ➤ 2015 Google released Android 5.1 Lollipop, Apple released iOS 9, Google released Android 6.0
 Marshmallow, Microsoft released Windows 10 Mobile.

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- 2016 Microsoft released Windows 10 Mobile Anniversary update, Apple announced iOS 10, Google released Android 7.0 Nougat, Apple released iOS 10, Tizen released Tizen 3.0, BlackBerry released BlackBerry 10.3.3.
- Samsung launched Android-based Samsung Galaxy S8, Microsoft released Windows 10 Creators update, Samsung introduced Tizen 4.0, Google released Android 8.0 Oreo, BlackBerry announced Android-based BlackBerry Secure, Apple introduced iPhone 8, iPhone X, iOS 11.

Some of the most common and current mobile operating system is as follows:

1. ANDROID:

It was developed by Google based on Linux kernel. It is the most popular OS in mobile phone. It is free, open source software and primarily designed for touchscreen mobiles and other electronic devices. Android was founded by Andy Rubin, Rich Miner, Nick Sears and Chris White in October 2003, in Palo Alto, California. In July 2005, Google was acquired Android and Andy Rubin, Rich Miner and Chris White joined Google. Andy Rubin led a team to developed a mobile device platform powered by Linux kernel. In 2007, the green Android logo was designed by Irina Blok who was a graphic designer. Android mobile operating system was released various versions named after dessert or sweet items.

TABLE I: ANDROID VERSIONS

| SL. NO | VERSION | RELEASE DATE |
|--------|---|--------------------|
| 1 | Android 1.0 (API 1) | September 23, 2008 |
| 2 | Android 1.1 (API 2) | February 09, 2009 |
| 3 | Android 1.5 Cupcake (API 3) | April 27, 2009 |
| 4 | Android 1.6 Donut (API 4) | September 15, 2009 |
| 5 | Android 2.0 Eclair (API 5) | October 26, 2009 |
| | Android 2.0.1 Eclair (API 6) | December 09, 2009 |
| | Android 2.1 Eclair (API 7) | January 12, 2010 |
| 6 | Android 2.2 Froyo (API 8) | May 20, 2010 |
| | Android 2.2.1 Froyo | January 18, 2011 |
| | Android 2.2.2 Froyo | January 22, 2011 |
| | Android 2.2.3 Froyo | November 21,2011 |
| 7 | Android 2.3 Gingerbread (API 9) | December 06, 2010 |
| | Android 2.3.1 Gingerbread | December 2010 |
| | Android 2.3.2 Gingerbread | January 2011 |
| 8 | Android 2.3.3 Gingerbread (API 10) | February 09, 2011 |
| | Android 2.3.4 Gingerbread | April 28, 2011 |
| | Android 2.3.5 Gingerbread | July 25, 2011 |
| | Android 2.3.6 Gingerbread | September 02,2011 |
| | Android 2.3.7 Gingerbread | September 21,2011 |
| 9 | Android 3.0 Honeycomb (API 11) | February 22, 2011 |
| 10 | Android 3.1 Honeycomb (API 12) | May 10, 2011 |
| 11 | Android 3.2 Honeycomb (API 13) | July 15, 2011 |
| | Android 3.2.1 Honeycomb | September 20,2011 |
| | Android 3.2.2 Honeycomb | August 30, 2011 |
| | Android 3.2.3 Honeycomb | August 30, 2011 |
| | Android 3.2.4 Honeycomb | December 2011 |
| | Android 3.2.5 Honeycomb | January 2012 |
| | Android 3.2.6 Honeycomb | February 2012 |
| 12 | Android 4.0 Ice Cream Sandwich | October 18, 2011 |
| | (API 14) | October 21, 2011 |
| | Android 4.0.1 Ice Cream Sandwich | November 28, 2011 |
| | Android 4.0.2 Ice Cream Sandwich | · |
| 13 | Android 4.0.3 Ice Cream Sandwich (API 15) | December 16,2011 |
| | Android 4.0.4 Ice Cream Sandwich | March 29, 2012 |

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| 14 | Android 4.1 Jelly Bean (API 16) Android 4.1.4 Jelly Bean Android 4.1.2 Jelly Bean | July 09, 2012 July 11, 2012 October 09, 2012 | |
|----|---|--|--|
| 15 | Android 4.2 Jelly Bean (API 17) Android 4.2.1 Jelly Bean Android 4.2.2 Jelly Bean | November 13, 2012 November 27,2012 February 11, 2013 | |
| 16 | Android 4.3 Jelly Bean (API 18) Android 4.3.1 Jelly Bean July 24, 2013 October 03, 2013 | | |
| 17 | Android 4.4 KitKat (API 19) Android 4.4.1 KitKat Android 4.4.2 KitKat Android 4.4.3 KitKat Android 4.4.4 KitKat | October 31, 2013 December 05, 2013 December 09, 2013 June 02, 2014 June 19, 2014 | |
| 18 | Android 4.4W KitKat, with wearable extensions (API 20) Android 4.4W.1 KitKat Android 4.4W.2 KitKat | June 25, 2014 September 06, 2014 October 21, 2014 | |
| 19 | Android 5.0 Lollipop (API 21) | November 12, 2014 | |
| 20 | Android 5.1 Lollipop (API 22) Android 5.1.1 Lollipop | March 09, 2015 April 21, 2015 | |
| 21 | Android 6.1 Marshmallow (API 23) Android 6.0.1 Marshmallow | October 05, 2015 December 07, 2015 | |
| 22 | Android 7.0 Nougat (API 24) | August 22, 2016 | |
| 23 | Android 7.1 Nougat (API 25) Android 7.1.1 Nougat Android 7.1.2 Nougat | October 04, 2016 December 05, 2016 April 04, 2017 | |
| 24 | Android 8.0 Oreo (API 26) | August 21, 2017 | |
| 25 | Android 8.1 Oreo (API 27) | December 05, 2017 | |

2. IPHONE / IOS (APPLE Phone):

It was originally developed by Apple co. exclusively for its hardware. It is the most popular mobile operating system after Android OS. This mobile operating system was unveiled in 2007 for the iPhone smart phone. iOS supports many version of Apple's own manufactured devices such as iPhone, iPad and iPod Touch. The current version is iOS11, which was released on September 19, 2017. It is now available for all iOS smart phone devices.

TABLE II: IPHONE VERSIONS

| SL. NO | VERSIONS | RELEASE DATE | FINAL SUPPORTED OS |
|--------|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | iPhone OS 1.0 | June 29, 2007 | iPhone OS3.1.3 |
| 2 | iPhone OS 2.0 | July 11, 2008 | iOS 4.2.1 |
| 3 | iPhone OS 3.0 | June 19, 2009 | iOS 6.1.6 |
| 4 | iOS 4.0 | June 21, 2010 | iOS 7.1.2 |
| 5 | iOS 5.0 | October 14,2011 | iOS 9.3.5 |
| 6 | iOS 6.0 | September 21,2012 | iOS 10.3.3 |
| 7 | iOS 7.0 | September 20,2013 | iOS 10.3.3 |
| 8 | iOS 7.0 | September 20, 2013 | iOS 11.2 |
| 9 | iOS 8.0 | September 19,2014 | iOS 11.2 |
| 10 | iOS 9.0 | September 25,2015 | iOS 11.2 |
| 11 | iOS 9.3 | March 31, 2016 | iOS 11.2 |
| 12 | iOS 10.0 | September 16,2016 | iOS 11.2 |
| 13 | iOS 11.0 | September 22,2017 | iOS 11.2 |
| 14 | iOS 11.0.1 | November 03,2017 | iOS 11.2 |

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3. BLACKBERRY Pone:

BlackBerry Ltd. is a Canadian multinational company. Blackberry is originally created by Mike Lazaridis and Douglas Fregin as Research In Motion in 1984. The BlackBerry has refers to the unique physical keyboard design on early devices. It is based on Android Open Source Project. It is specialized in mobile productivity and secure communications. BlackBerry is branded for tablets, smartphones and many more products. Blackberry Secure operating system is based on Android Open Source Project, which was announced on August 2017. Blackberry Secure version 1.x (based on Android "Marshmallow" 6.x and "Nougat" 7.x) is the latest version.

TABLE III: BLACKBERRY VERSIONS

| SL.NO | VERSION | RELEASE DATE |
|-------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | BlackBerry OS 1.0 | January 1999 |
| 2 | BlackBerry OS 3.6 | March 2002 |
| 3 | BlackBerry OS 5.0 | August 09, 2009 |
| 4 | BlackBerry OS 6.0 | April 2010 |
| 5 | BlackBerry OS 7.0 | August 2011 |
| 6 | BlackBerry OS 7.1 | January 2012 |

II. CONCLUSION

There are varieties of Mobile phones available in market with various latest mobile Operating Systems. Year by year the versions are released and new mobile operating systems are developed by the companies for the users.

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