

Audio Recording



Audio Recording in Android

Two options

- **AudioRecorder**
 - Produces raw audio files (no compressing, encoding/decoding)
 - Raw audio files are not automatically recognized by standard media player
- **MediaRecorder**
 - Produces formatted audio files: .M4A, .3GPP, .AAC, .OGG

Step 1: Add Dependencies (Media v3)

```
dependencies {
    // Media3
    implementation("androidx.media3:media3-exoplayer:1.8.0")
    implementation("androidx.media3:media3-common-ktx:1.8.0")
    implementation("androidx.media3:media3-session:1.8.0")

    // For permission handling at runtime
    implementation("com.google.accompanist:accompanist-permissions:0.37.3")
}
```

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Step 2: Add Permissions (AndroidManifest.xml)

```
<manifest xmlns:android="http://schemas.android.com/apk/res/android"
    xmlns:tools="http://schemas.android.com/tools">

    <uses-permission android:name="android.permission.RECORD_AUDIO" />

    <application android:allowBackup="true">
        <activity android:name=".MainActivity">
            <intent-filter>
                <action android:name="androidx.intent.action.MAIN" />
                <category android:name="androidx.intent.category.LAUNCHER" />
            </intent-filter>
        </activity>
    </application>
</manifest>
```

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Step 4a: Create MediaRecorder ViewModel)

```
class AppViewModel(val app: Application): AndroidViewModel(app) {
    private var recorder: MediaRecorder? = null
    private audioFile: String = ""

    private fun createRecorder() = MediaRecorder(app.applicationContext).apply {
        setAudioSource(MediaRecorder.AudioSource.MIC)
        setOutputFormat(MediaRecorder.OutputFormat.THREE_GPP)
        val auPath = app.applicationContext.externalCacheDir?.absolutePath
        audioFile = "$auPath/audio_rec.3gpp"
        setOutputFile(audioFile)
        setAudioEncoder(MediaRecorder.AudioEncoder.AMR_NB)
    }
}
```

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Step 4b: Start/Stop Recorder

```
class AppViewModel(val app: Application): AndroidViewModel(app) {
    private var recorder: MediaRecorder? = null
    fun startRecording() {
        try {
            if (recorder == null) recorder = createRecorder()
            recorder?.prepare()
            recorder?.start()
        } catch (e: IOException)
            println("Can't initialize MediaRecorder ${e.message}")
    }

    fun stopRecording() {
        recorder?.stop()
        recorder?.release()
    }
}
```

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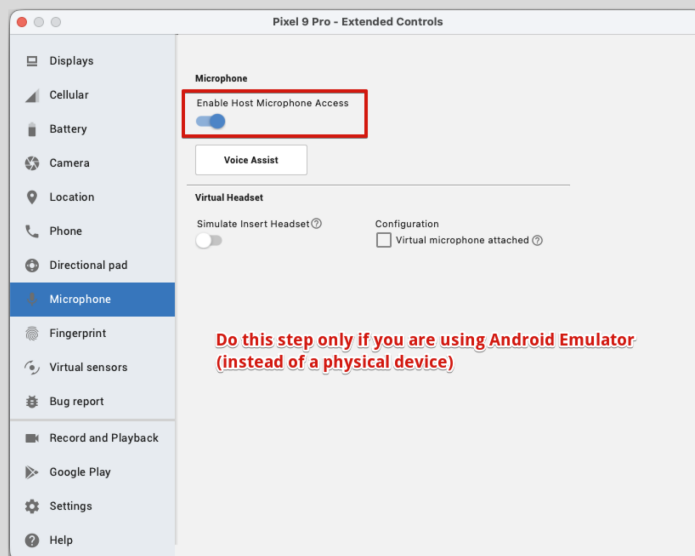
Step 4c: Play Recorder Audio

```
class AppViewModel(val app: Application): AndroidViewModel(app) {
    // See details of MediaController initialization in the Audio Service slides
    private var mediaController: MediaController
    private var audioFile: String = "" // initialized in createRecorder()

    fun playRecording() {
        val audioUri = Uri.encode(audioFile)
        val mediaItem = MediaItem.fromUri(audioUri)
        mediaController.repeatMode = Player.REPEAT_MODE_OFF
        mediaController?.setMediaItem(mediaItem)
        mediaController?.prepare()
        mediaController?.play()
    }
}
```

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@Composable: Request Permission

```
@Composable AudioScreen(viewModel: AppViewModel) {
    val audioRecordPermission = rememberPermissionState(Manifest.permission.RECORD_AUDIO)

    LaunchedEffect(isPlayingAudio) {
        if (!audioRecordPermission.status.isGranted)
            audioRecordPermission.launchPermissionRequest()
    }
    Row {
        Button(onClick = { vm.startRecording() }) { Text("Record") }
        Button(onClick = { vm.stopRecording() }) { Text("Stop") }
        Button(onClick = { vm.playRecording() }) { Text("Play") }
    }
}
```