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APK runtime classpath. The classpath hierarchy is shown in Figure 1. Figure 1. The version numbers of dependencies that appear on multiple classpaths according to this hierarchy. A conflict can arise when different versions of the same dependency appear in multiple classpaths, for example if your contains a dependency version that uses an implementation dependency configuration, and a library module contains another dependency version that uses a runtimeonly configuration. When resolving runtime and classpath dependencies at build time, Android Gradle 3.3.0 and later attempts to resolve some partial conflicts automatically. For example, if the runtime classpath contains library A version 2.0 and the build classpath contains library A version 1.0, the plugin will automatically update the build classpath dependency to version 2.0 of library A to avoid errors. However, if the runtime classpath contains a version 1.0 library and the build classpath contains a version 2.0 library, the plugin will not downgrade the build classpath to version 1.0 of the library and you will still receive an error message similar to the following : Dependency conflict com .example.library:some-lib:2.0 in the my-library project. The allowed versions of runtime classpath (1.0) and build classpath (2.0) are different. To resolve this issue, do one of the following: Inject the required dependency version into the library module as an API dependency. This means that only your library module declares the dependency, but the application module also has transient access to its API. Alternatively, you can declare the dependency in both modules, but you must ensure that each module uses the same version of the dependency. Consider setting the property project-wide to keep versions of each dependency consistent throughout the project. Applying Custom Build Logic This section contains additional topics that may be useful if you want to extend the Android Gradle plugin or write your own plugin. Publishing Variant Dependencies for Custom Logic A library may have functionality that other projects or subprojects may need. Publishing to a library is the process by which a library is made available to users. Libraries can control whichits consumers have access at compile time and at run time. There are two separate configurations that contain transitive dependencies for each classpath that consumers must use to use the library , as described below: variant\_nameApiElements: This configuration contains transitive dependencies that are available to consumers at compile time. variant\_nameRuntimeElements: This configuration contains temporary dependencies available to consumers at run time. To learn more about the relationship between the various configurations, go to the Java Library Plugin Configurations section. Custom Dependency Handling Strategies A project can depend on two different versions of the same library, which can cause dependency conflicts. For example, if your project depends on version 1 of module A and version 2 of module B, and module A transitions from version 3 of module B, a dependency version conflict occurs. To resolve this conflict, the Android Gradle plugin uses the following dependency resolution strategy: When a plugin detects that there are different versions of the same module in the dependency graph, it defaults to the highest numbered version. However, this strategy may not always work as intended. To configure a dependency resolution strategy, use the following configurations to resolve specific variant dependencies required by a task: variant\_nameCompileClasspath: This configuration contains the compilation class path resolution policy for a specific variant. variant\_nameRuntimeClasspath: This configuration contains the resolution policy for the runtime classpath of the specified variant. The Android Gradle plugin includes getters that can be used to access per-variant configuration objects. So you can use the variant API to request dependency resolution, as shown in the example below: android { applicationVariants.all { variant -> // Return build configuration objectsvariant.getCompileConfiguration().resolutionStrategy { // Use the Gradle ResolutionStrategy API // to configure how this variant resolves dependencies. ... } // Returns the configuration objects of the runtime variant. variant.getRuntimeConfiguration().resolutionStrategy { ... } // Returns the configuration of the variant annotation processor. variant.getAnnotationProcessorConfiguration().resolutionStrategy { ... } } } android { applicationVariants.all { // Returns configuration objects for variant compilation. compileConfiguration.resolutionStrategy { // Use the Gradle ResolutionStrategy API // to configure how this option resolves dependencies. ... } // Returns the configuration objects of the runtime variant. runtimeConfiguration.resolutionStrategy { ... } // Returns the configuration variant of the annotation processor. annotationProcessorConfiguration.resolutionStrategy { ... } } } When building an application using AGP 4.0.0 and later, the plug-in contains metadata describing the dependencies of the libraries compiled into your application. When your app loads, the Play Console examines this metadata to alert you to known issues with the SDK and dependencies your app uses and, in some cases, provide feedback on how to fix those issues. The data is compressed, encrypted with Google Play's signing key, and stored in your published app's signature block For a safe and pleasant user experience, we recommend keeping this dependency. However, if you do not want to share this information, you can opt out by including the following dependenciesInfo block in your module's build.gradle file: android {dependenciesInfo { // Disable dependency metadata when building an APK file. includeInApk = false // Disable dependency metadata when creating an Android app bundle. includeInBundle = false } } For more information on our policies and potential dependency issues, visit our support page on using third-party SDKs in your app. Appendix.

