

Computer Games Development CW208 Technical Design Document Year IV

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Technical Design

The purpose of this document is to communicate effectively the technical details and design decisions of the system/algorithm to the readers.

It could include software architecture, algorithm design, class specifications, pseudo code, etc. with tools such as UML, Class Diagram, and CRC Cards.

List of Features

2.1 Receiving live camera feed

This feature allows unity to stream in the game by passing the IP address into an input field and streams the live camera onto the screen if it has a successful connection.

```
This is the processing of the stream
public void ParseStream(Uri uri)
  {
       WebRequest = URI
       Get Response from the website
//Checks if the website is responding.
private void OnGetResponse(IAsyncResult asyncResult)
{
       Wait to confirm that the website is working
//If the website is streaming the live feed
loop if the stream is working
              Check if the frame is not -1
              Get the frames and store them
              Check if it's not the last frame
              break from it
       }
```

if the stream or response is down, break away from it.

This is the setup of the texture video into the object and updates the frame of the live camera feed.

```
void update()
increase the deltatime
    Update the frame
{
     assign the texture with the new frame from the stream.
     assign the material to the object
     set deltaTime back to zero
}
```

2.2 Object/Facial Recognition

This is the feature where the raspberry pi's drone AI recognizes objects or facials when moving around the area. The library that I'll be using is OpenCV since there are tutorials on how to make it work with a webcam and train the AI to recognize these objects or facials.

2.3 Unity and Raspberry Pi communication.

Unity connects to the raspberry by wifi and Raspberry Pi drone waits for unity to send data to it and process the command. I'm also using unity's system.io and network stream class for retrieving and sending data.

```
This sets up the communication between unity and the raspberry pi void setupSocket()

get the IP address and port of the raspberry pi

Connect to the IP endpoint

set the sockets for a writer and reader

if all goes to plan socket is ready

if not throw an exception.
```

```
This sends data from unity to the raspberry pi
void writeSocket(string str)
check if there is a connection
if not return

send the str

string readSocket()
check if there is a connection
if not return nothing

check if there's data available
return socket reader;
```

2.4 VR camera movement

This feature is to allow the user to use VR to move the camera and to achieve the goal of telepresence. I want to use the ZED Package since it has the necessary code for head tracking with the VR

2.5 Controller/Commands

This feature allows unity to send commands to the drone. To send a command to the drone is to create a game object and assign it to the raspberry connection script and use the get component function.

```
E.g void toggle() string command = "on"; TCPListener.GetComponent<RaspberryCon>().writeSocket(command);
```

once the game object writes it, the command will be on the raspberry side.

The data will be sent to a python script and be read by the raspberry and take the command and execute.

```
def execute command(self,cmd):
    if str(cmd[2] == 'on':
        do action here and so forth.
```

This is how unity and the raspberry communicate with each other. To add a new command is to just give a command string and on the write socket and go to the function execute commands and place an if statement of the string if its equals to it then give its command if data match below.

Software tools

3.1 Unity

I chose Unity for my main interface for the user and drone communication because I wanted to make a small AR/mix reality for the project. The other reason is that I can use the plugins for VR since it's already in the engine.

3.2 OpenCV

This library will allow me to use facial/object recognition AI for my RC drone to identify the surrounding area.

Hardware tools

4.1 VR HTC Vive

The use of the VR HTC Vive is for the telepresence aspect of the project.

4.2 RC Drone

The RC Drone from sunFounder allows me to move the RC Drone.

4.3 Raspberry Pi

The Raspberry Pi handles the drone's movement, the camera live feed, and the server aspect of the project.

CRC Cards

Client

Responsibility

- Handles and sends data to the raspberry pi

Collaborator

- SocketConnection scene
- Server

Server

Responsibility

- Retrieval of data from the client and reads it.

Collaborator

- SocketConnection scene
- Client

Controller/Command

Responsibility

- Handles Commands from the unity and sends commands to the drone

Collaborator

- SocketConnection scene
- Drone RC
- Camera of the Drone

Streaming Texture

Responsibility

- Handles the live feed from the drone
- Retrieving the IP address of the live feed and assigning it to a game object.

Collaborator

- SocketConnection scene
- Raspberry Pi

Streaming Processing

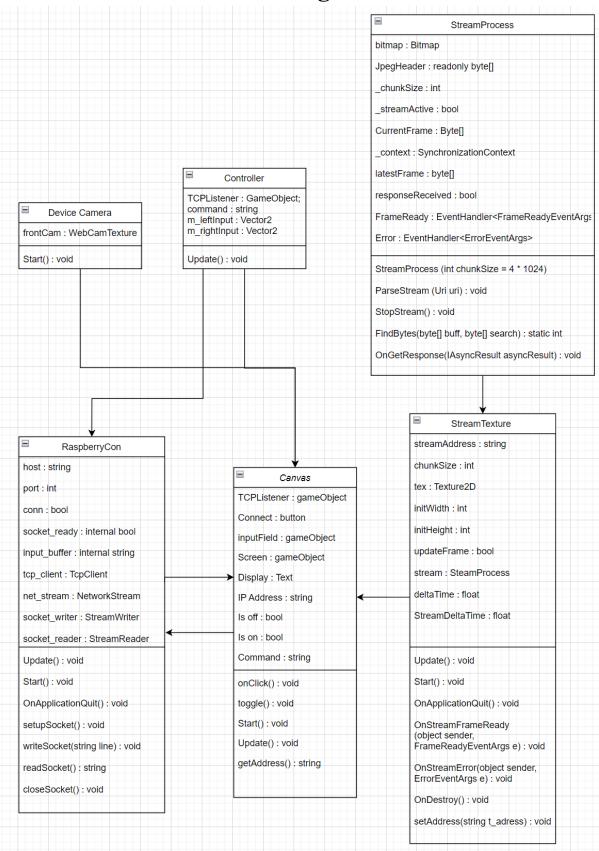
Responsibility

- Handles the camera feed and processes the frames.

Collaborator

- SocketConnection scene
- Drone RC
- Camera of the Drone

Class diagram



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