AVLib SDK for Android v.2.0.0 Powerful RTMP-streaming solution

Features

- * Ability to use with outdated and low-performance devices with Android 4.1+
- $\mbox{\ensuremath{\bigstar}}$ Auto-detection device performance and setting an optimal stream configuration
- * Handling rotation and size changes with no stream re-initiation
- * Ability to customize frame size, video codec quality, video and audio bitrate, and disable audio
- * Activity and Fragment support
- * Decreasing bitrate when connection is slow
- * Switching the main/front cameras
- * Scaling types, aspect ratio correction, and full handling lifecycle
- * Handling errors
- * Simple interface
- * Fast performance
- * No dependencies
- * Armv7a and armv8-64 support
- * Action cameras support
- * "Tap to focus" feature
- * "Record stream" feature
- * Device screen broadcasting

Introduction

This document briefly describes AVLib SDK for the development of broadcasting apps using RTMP protocol.

This guide will help developers to quickly integrate AVLib SDK into their native applications.

Setup

- 1. Add AVLib.aar to your project.
- 2. Make sure RECORD_AUDIO and CAMERA permissions are enabled before you start broadcasting.

Notes:

AVLib requires the following permissions (all of them have already been included into AVLib SDK):

```
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.INTERNET" />
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.CAMERA" />
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.RECORD_AUDIO" />
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.ACCESS_NETWORK_STATE" />
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.CHANGE_NETWORK_STATE"/>
<uses-permission android:name="android.permission.FOREGROUND_SERVICE"/>
<uses-feature android:name="android.hardware.camera" />
<uses-feature android:name="android.hardware.camera.autofocus" />
```

If you use a record stream feature, add and handle WRITE EXTERNAL STORAGE permission.

Code obfuscation. R8, Proguard

Add these lines:

```
-keep public interface com.onix.avlib.** { *; }
-keep public class com.onix.avlib.** { *; }
```

Usage

The SDK provides CameraStreamer, ScreenStreamer and ActionCameraStreamer classes for broadcasting. The first one provides broadcasting from an Android native camera source. Second allows broadcasting device screen. The last one performs streaming to server from action cameras, like GoPro.

All work with this SDK must be carried out in 'FragmentActivity' or 'Fragment' only.

Streaming from Android camera

The classes CameraStreamer and CameraStreamView are needed for streaming from Android camera:

- CameraStreamView is the view used for rendering video preview.
- CameraStreamer is the main class that provides the streaming functionality from Android camera to RTMP server.

There are some lifecycle methods in CameraStreamer class that should be called in 'onCreate', 'onCreateView', 'onSaveInstanceState' callbacks. CameraStreamView is the view for 'stream preview' and should be placed into your Layout.

All code snippets included below are correct for 'Fragment' implementation.

The object of CameraStreamer class can be instantiated with the initial camera type (front/main). By default it will be the MAIN camera.

```
Enum CamType: MAIN, FRONT
                                    ******
onCreate(FragmentActivity activity, Bundle savedInstanceState)
activity - current 'Activity' instance
savedInstanceState - bundle instance for restoring states
private val streamer = CameraStreamer(CamType.MAIN)
override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
   super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
   retainInstance = true
   streamer.onCreate(activity, savedInstanceState)
void onCreateView(CameraStreamView cameraView, PreviewScaleType scaleType)
cameraView - rendering view for stream
scaleType - scale type for preview (described below)
override fun onCreateView(...) {
   streamer.bindView(binding.cameraView, PreviewScaleType.CENTER CROP)
   streamer.setStreamListener(this)
   return view
}
                                    ******
void onSaveInstanceState(Bundle outState)
outState - bundle instance for saving states
override fun onSaveInstanceState(outState: Bundle) {
   super.onSaveInstanceState(outState)
   streamer.onSaveInstanceState(outState)
}
```

Enum PreviewScaleType is used for scaling the bounds of stream preview to the CameraStreamView view.

CENTER_INSIDE - scale the preview uniformly while maintaining the aspect ratio CENTER_CROP - cover all areas of CameraStreamView while maintaining the aspect ratio and crop it if needed.

*This option doesn't affect the actual picture size. It only configures the preview.

'Activity' implementation

If streaming is carried out within 'FragmentActivity,' there is only one difference - you need to place bindView at once after onCreate method, for example:

```
override fun onCreate(savedInstanceState: Bundle?) {
    super.onCreate(savedInstanceState)
    ...
    streamer.onCreate(this, savedInstanceState);
    streamer.bindView(binding.cameraView, PreviewScaleType.CENTER_CROP);
    streamer.setStreamListener(this)
    ...
}
```

Interface *IStreamerEvents* must be set with *setStreamListener method*. This is how it is used for handling streamer events:

```
void onInitStarted - start streamer initialization.

void onInitCompleted - completed streamer initialization.

void onStreamingFpsChanged(int fps) - FPS updating.
```

void onPreviewSizesAvailable(List<PreviewSize> sizes) - fired once all camera resolutions accessible for streaming are detected. PreviewSize - simple class with width and height fields.

void onPreviewSizeSelected(PreviewSize size) - fired when camera resolution is selected/changed.

void onStreamStateChanged(StreamerState event) - callback for handling the streaming state.

Enum StreamerState:

```
ERROR_CONNECTION - connection error (RTMP server does not respond, no Internet connection)

ERROR_CAMERA_BUSY - cannot start camera preview. Camera is not supported, busy or missing

STREAM_STARTED - streaming started successfully

STREAM_STOPPED - streaming stopped successfully

ERROR_SERVER - wrong server url scheme or empty

ERROR_PERMISSIONS - missing permissions (permission.CAMERA, permission.RECORD_AUDIO or permission.INTERNET)
```

public void setServerUrl(String serverUrl)

set rtmp server url. Needs to be called before startStreaming().

public void setRecordFile(String fileName)

- used if there is need to record stream to file.

public void switchCamera()

- switch cameras. Main cam is by default.

public void stopStreaming()

stop streaming

public void startStreaming()

- start streaming

public List<PreviewSize> getAvailablePreviewSizes()

- get supported camera preview sizes

public PreviewSize getCurrentPreviewSize()

- get the current selected preview size

public void enableLogs()

- enable logs for development

public boolean isFrontCamera()

- check if the front camera is selected

public boolean isStarted()

- check if the stream is started

public void setVideoBitrate(VideoBitrate bitrate)

- set video bitrate

Enum VideoBitrate: B128K, B256K, B512K, B1024K, B2048K, B3072K, B4096K, B6144K, B12288K, B24576K

public void setAudioBitrate(AudioBitrate bitrate)

- set audio bitrate

Enum AudioBitrate: B32K, B64K, B128K, B256K

public boolean setPreviewSize(PreviewSize size)

select preview size

public void enableAudio(boolean enable)

- enable/disable audio

public AudioBitrate getAudioBitrate()

- get the current audio bitrate

public VideoBitrate getVideoBitrate()

- get the current video bitrate

public boolean isAudioEnabled()

- check if audio is enabled

Streaming screen

Class ScreenStreamer is responsible for broadcasting functionality. The all flow is the same as from camera streaming, except:

void onCreate(Activity activity)

added:

setNotification(final Notification notification)

 Have to pass the notification that will be appeared while screen broadcasting. Should be called after onCreate method.

setPreparing(boolean enable, String text)

- Using for set/unset preparing mode. While preparing mode is enabled, streamer broadcasts to server empty black frames with your text. It is useful when you don't want convey the actual screen content to server, for example you want to send screen to server as soon as user left the app, etc.

For listening streamer states pass instance of listener *IScreenStreamerEvents*

setStreamListener(IScreenStreamerEvents listener)

Enum IScreenStreamerEvents:

ERROR_CONNECTION, ERROR_DISPLAY_NOT_FOUND, STREAM_STARTED,
STREAM STOPPED, ERROR SERVER, ERROR PERMISSIONS;

Streaming from Action cameras

The classes ActionCameraStreamer and ActionCameraStreamView are needed for streaming from action cameras.

ActionCameraStreamView is the view used for rendering video preview.
 ActionCameraStreamer is the class that provides streaming functionality from an action camera to RTMP server.

Streaming from action cameras is available starting with Android LOLLIPOP. Also, mobile Internet connection should be enabled on a device.

ActionCameraStreamer must be initialized with *IActionCamera* implementation. *IActionCamera* has the following methods:

void onResume() - will be called when the app turns to the foreground.void onPause() - will be called when the app turns to the background.

String getPreviewUrl() - returns direct uri to the preview stream of an action cam. This method will be carried out by ActionCameraStreamer in the background thread.

All integration steps are the same as for streaming from Android camera. The only difference is that *IActionCamStreamerEvents* is used as the interface for handling streamer states.

setStreamListener(IActionCamStreamerEvents listener)

Enum ActionStreamerState:

ERROR_NETWORKS, ERROR_INTERNET_CONNECTION, STREAM_STARTED,
STREAM_STOPPED, ERROR_SERVER, PREVIEW_STARTED,
ERROR CAMERA PREVIEW, PROCESSING NETWORKS, PREVIEW PREPARING