

HYPER-LINKED COMMUNICATIONS

WebRTC enabled asynchronous collaboration

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INTRODUCTION

Written communication could never replace face to face communication.

“No computer in our lifetimes will ever rival a human voice’s capacity to conveying rich and complex social and emotional meaning”

— Geddes, Martin

Today, we can achieve more.

Real-time communication applications can make a difference on business, education and health sectors.

An application that provides a collaborative environment and a way to remember our past communications would be a strong tool.

THESIS GOALS

Allow multi party conference calls.

Record and playback interactive video.

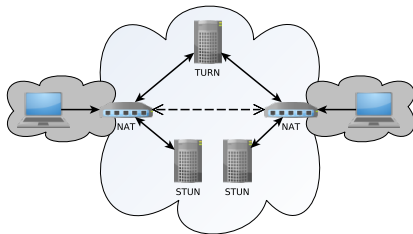
Create a collaborative environment

Use only standard technologies like JavaScript, WebRTC, HTML5 and CSS3.

RELATED WORK

EARLY DAYS OF THE INTERNET

- IPv4 Address Exhaustion
- Network Address Translat
- STUN + TURN = ICE



WebRTC (Web Real-Time Communications)

- Access to camera, microphone and screen*
- Peer to Peer file and stream sharing
- Standardized protocols
- No plug-ins required



* requires installing a plug-in yet.

REAL-TIME COMMUNICATIONS



Skype

Proprietary Application

Audio/Video/Text

File Sharing



Hangouts

WebRTC Application*

Audio/Video/Text

Collaborative Tools



Jitsi

WebRTC Application & Framework

Audio/Video/Text

Collaborative Tools



Kurento

WebRTC Framework

Audio/Video

Stream Recording

* requires installing a plug-in on non chrome web browsers.

HYPERMEDIA: MORE THAN WORDS, MORE THAN IMAGES

- **Concepts:** HyperText & HyperMedia & HyperCommunications & Detail on Demand
- **Implementations:** HyperCafe & HyperHitchcock



EXTENDING COLLABORATION TOOLS WITH TIME MANIPULATION

Table: Comparison between Operational Transformation libraries

Library	Own Server	Own Storage	Operations
ShareJS	✓	✓	text+objects
TogetherJS	✓	✗	text+objects
Goodow	✓	✓	text+objects
Etherpad Lite	✓	✓	extendable
OT.js	✗	✗	text

ARCHITECTURE

MODULES

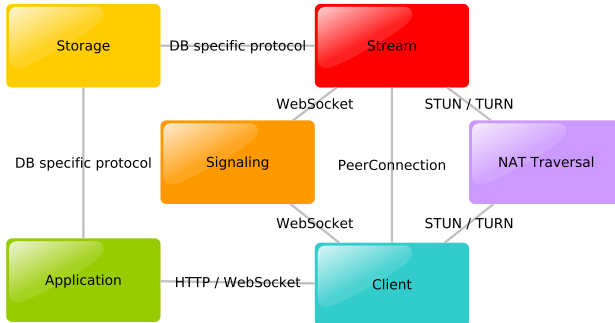


Figure: System Modules

SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE

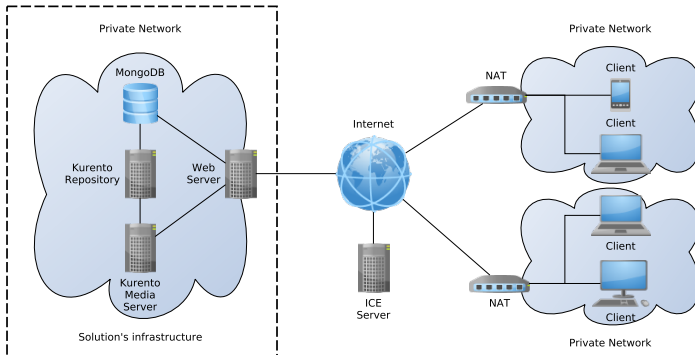


Figure: System Infrastructure

- **Signaling Server & Web Server:** Play Framework
- **Stream Server:** Kurento Media Server
- **Database:** MongoDB

Table: Application Architecture

Application							
jQuery	HTML5	CSS3 (Bootstrap)	Signaling	ot.js		adapter.js	
HTTP	User Interface		WebSocket			WebRTC	

IMPLEMENTATION

SIGNALING PROTOCOL

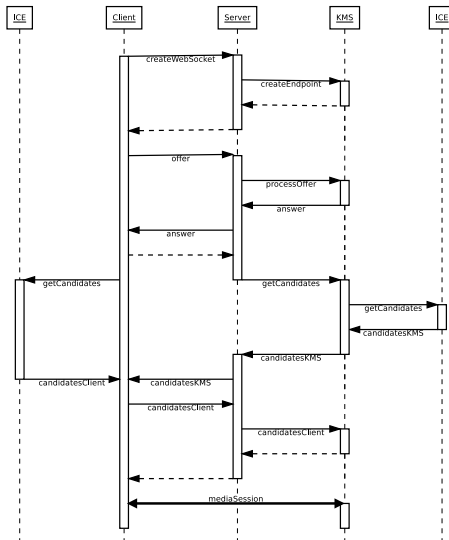
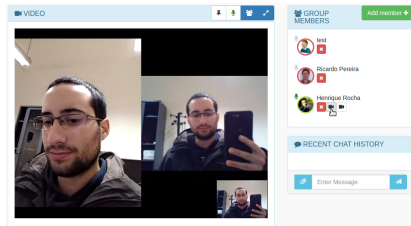
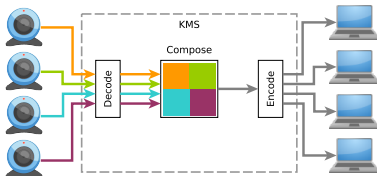


Figure: Signaling Protocol

- Client-side recording.
- Server-side recording to file system.
- Server-side recording to database (Kurento Repository).



STREAM COMPOSITION




HYPER-CONTENT

- Create & Search content
- Scheduler
- QR codes
- Security concerns




CONTENT EDITOR

Begin: (timeline )
29/03/2016 04:56:40 

End: (timeline )
29/03/2016 04:56:41




Content:
Hello World!

Is Caption: ☒





  

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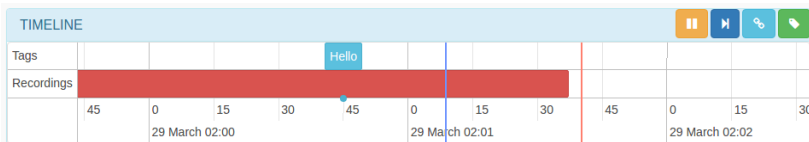
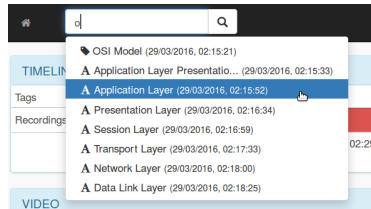
  

Select Time

TIME MANIPULATION

- Playback recordings
- Create & Search annotations
- Time Hyper-links



- Instant text messaging
 - WebSockets
- File sharing
 - HTTP file upload
 - stored in the database
- Collaborative text editor (OT.js)
 - retain
 - insert
 - delete

EVALUATION

PERFORMANCE TESTS - CPU

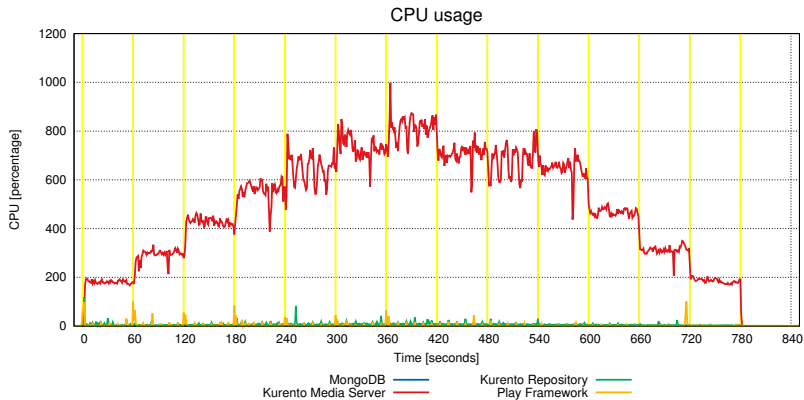


Figure: CPU usage at server

PERFORMANCE TESTS - CPU (AVERAGE)

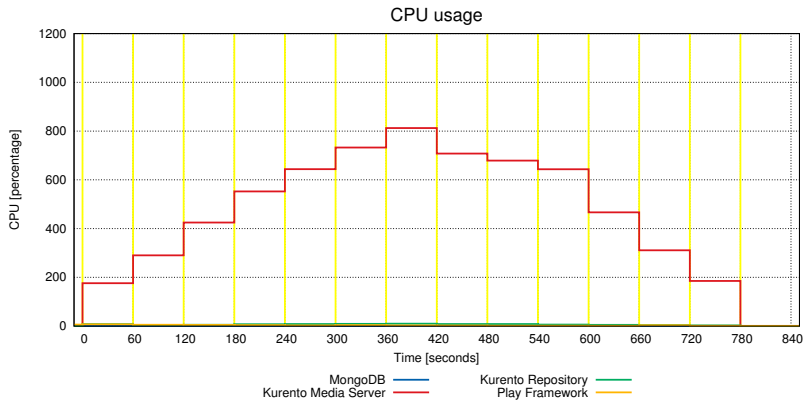


Figure: CPU usage at server (average per interval)

PERFORMANCE TESTS - MEMORY

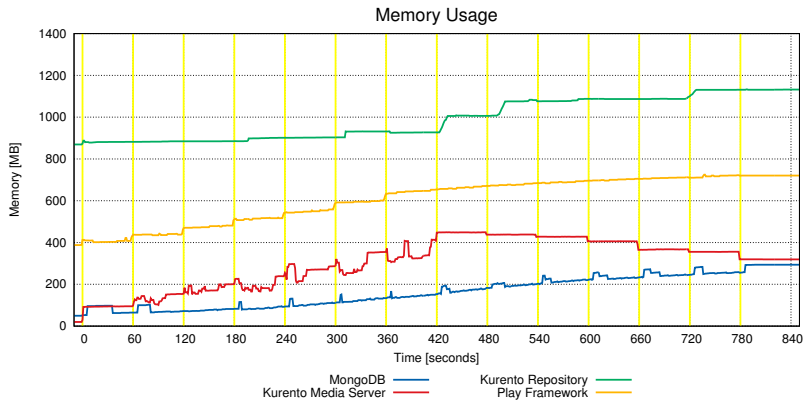


Figure: Memory usage at server

PERFORMANCE TESTS - NETWORK USAGE

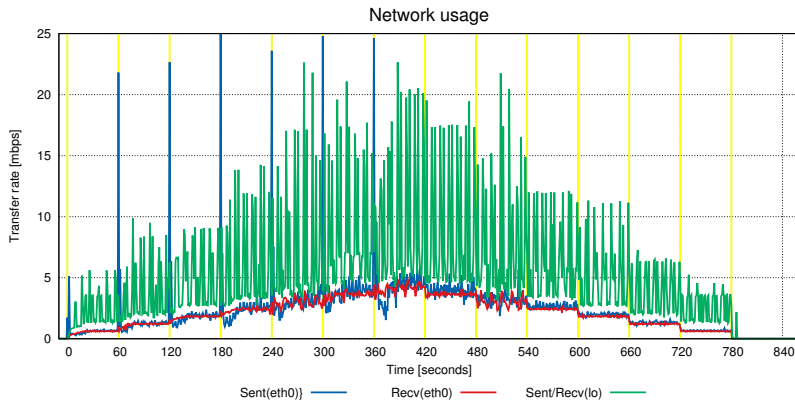


Figure: Network usage at server

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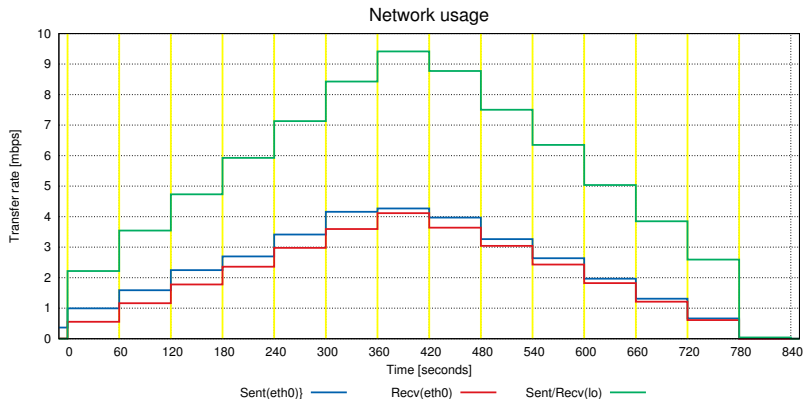


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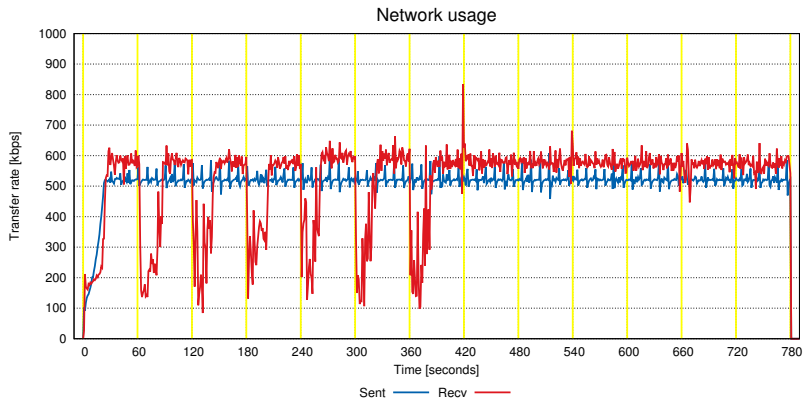


Figure: Network usage at client

USER INTERFACE TESTS

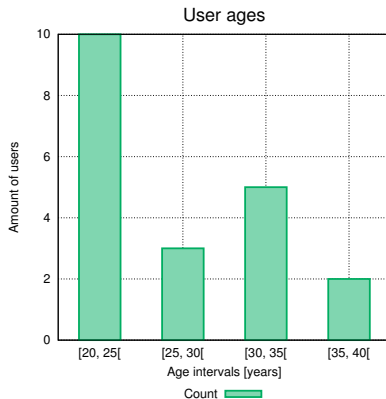


Figure: Users age

FIVE TASKS

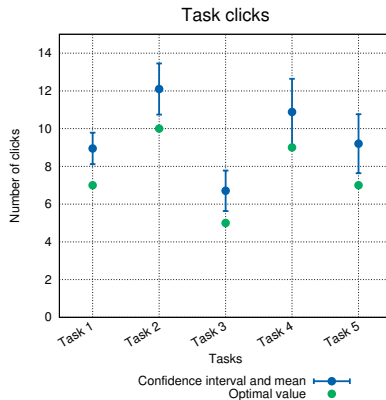
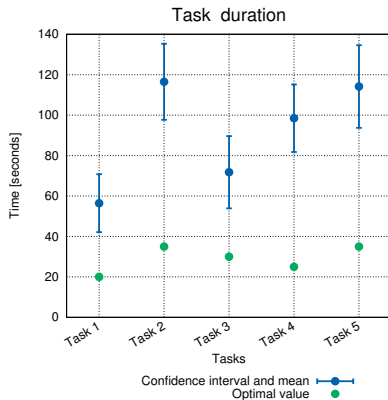


Figure: Tasks metrics

- Difficulty per task.
- Errors per task.

OVERALL EVALUATION

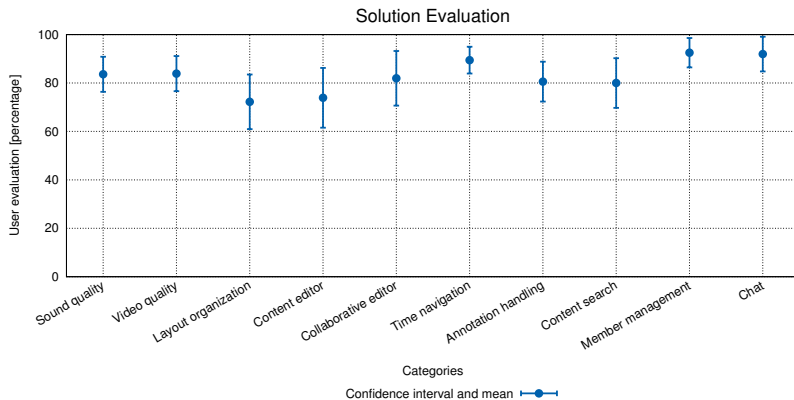


Figure: Overall evaluation

CONCLUSIONS

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- New usage scenarios for communication and collaboration applications.
- Enrich communications using hypermedia concepts. Record, playback and collaboration features.
- Prototype implementation and testing.



FUTURE WORK

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- Implement fast-forward playback.
- Improve solution's security.
- Scale our solution to multiple servers.

Questions?