Hyper-linked Communications: WebRTC enabled asynchronous collaboration

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Context

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.



Problem Statement

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

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



Thesis Goals

Development of an application that applies the hypermedia concepts.

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

Test the application with real users, unitary tests and benchmarks



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Early days of the Internet and its remaining flaws

IPv4 Address Exhaustion

Network Address Translation

Client-Server model

• STUN + TURN = ICE



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Real-Time communications

WebRTC (Web Real-Time Communications)

			MediaStream			
				RTCPeerConnection		DataChannel
XHR	SSE	WebSocket		SRTP		SCTP
HTTP 1.X/2.0				Session (DTLS)		
Session (TLS) – optional				ICE, STUN, TURN		
Transport (TCP)				Transport (UDP)		
Network (IP)						

Figure: WebRTC protocol Stack



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Signaling: meet and get to know

Own Implementation

SIP

XMPP

SigOFly



Hypermedia: more than words, more than images

 Concepts: HyperText & HyperMedia & HyperCommunications

• Implementations: HyperCafe & HyperHitchcock

WebBrowser: Ambulant & SmillingWeb & SVG



Web-Browser plug-ins







Signaling: meet and get to know

- Streaming and Recording
- Media Types

• Recording and Streaming Interactive Media

Collaborative Environment



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Modules

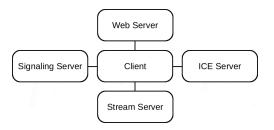


Figure: System Modules



Implementation Proposal

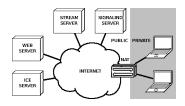


Figure: System Infrastructure

ICE Server: restund

Signaling Server: Prosody

• Web Server: Play Framework

• Stream Server: Jitsi VideoBridge



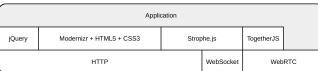
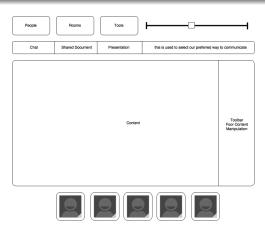




Figure: App Architecture

Wireframe







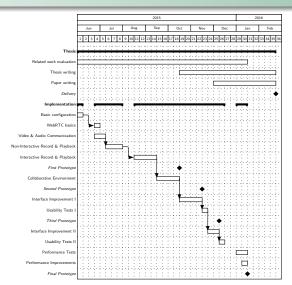
Methodology

Qualitative and quantitative evaluation.

- Unit tests.
- Tests with users.
- Benchmarks.



Planned Schedule





Conclusions

WebRTC is enabling new usage scenarios for communication and collaboration applications.

Theses communications will be enriched using hypermedia concepts.

A prototype will be implemented in order to validate these concepts.



Questions?

