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Introduction

Streamaxia OpenSDK is a live streaming (broadcasting) library for mobile devices.

This is a short programming guide about how to integrate Streamaxia OpenSDK library in your iOS project.

For the full API documentation, please download the "Documentation" folder and run index.html.

Components

OpenSDK Main Interface

The main interface is responsible for the initialization and configuration of the SDK. It provides information about the available features.

Important: Before using the publisher, the SDK must be properly initialized and configured.

Recorder - AXRecorder

The recorder is responsible for capturing and streaming audio and video content to a RTMP server. Before using the recorder, the SDK must be properly configured and have a valid license.

It also provides utilities for changing the settings for capturing and streaming audio and video.

Recorder Delegate - AXRecorderDelegate

The recorder delegate is optional. This should be implemented to receive the callbacks delivered by the recorder.

It provides information about the recorder state changes, internet availability, recording time, warnings and errors that occur while recording and streaming.

Recorder Settings - AXRecorder Settings

The settings used by the recorder to capture and stream media are defined here. It contains settings like stream mode, video bit rate, resolution, torch mode and more.

The recorder settings are required for initializing the recorder.

Stream Info - AXStreamInfo

The info about the streaming destination is defined here. This should be configured with your own values, corresponding to your streaming destination and associated streaming account info.

The stream info is required for initializing the recorder.

Utilities - AXUtils

Provides a set of utilities that can be used along with the rest of the API for streaming the content. Utilities like recommended video bit rates, available resolutions, supported resolutions, supported frame rates and many others are available in the AXUtils class.

Set up OpenSDK in a Project

- 1. Open an existing project or create a new one
- 2. Add the framework provided (StreamaxiaSDK.framework) to the project
- 3. Add the certificate files or config bundle to the project

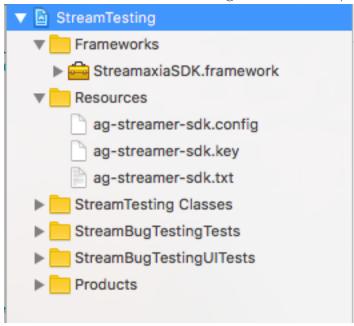


Figure 1. Example of working architecture

4. Import StreamaxiaSDK and use the streaming APIs:

#import <StreamaxiaSDK/StreamaxiaSDK.h>

Initialize SDK Main Interface

To initialize the SDK, you must make sure that the .config and .key files are added to the project. It also works if the .config and .key files are bundled together (e.g. certificate.bundle), but in this case the SDK must be initialized using that bundle's URL.

Loading the SDK configuration from the standard URL:

Objective-C

```
AXStreamaxiaSDK *sdk = [AXStreamaxiaSDK sharedInstance];

[sdk setupSDKWithCompletion:^(BOOL success, AXError *error){
    [sdk debugPrintSDKStatus];
}];

Swift

let sdk = AXStreamaxiaSDK.sharedInstance()!

sdk.setupSDK(completion: { (success, error) in sdk.debugPrintStatus()}
})
```

Loading the SDK configuration from a custom URL (a custom bundle that contains the provided .config and .key files):

```
Objective-C
```

```
NSURL *bundleURL = [[NSBundle mainBundle] URLForResource:@"certificate"
withExtension:@"bundle"];
NSBundle *bundle = [NSBundle bundleWithURL:bundleURL];

[sdk setupSDKWithURL:bundle.bundleURL withCompletion:^(BOOL success, AXError *error) {
        [sdk debugPrintSDKStatus];
}];
```

Swift

Settings

The stream info contains the settings for the streaming destination server. The appropriate values corresponding to your account should be formatted like below.

The recorder settings contain the properties used to capture and stream the audio and video. When changing some of the settings it is recommended to check if that setting is supported beforehand.

```
Objective-C
// The stream info
AXStreamInfo *info = [AXStreamInfo streamInfo];
info.useSecureConnection = NO;
info.serverAddress = @"23.235.227.213";
info.applicationName = @"test";
info.streamName = @"demo";
info.username = @"";
info.password = @"";
// The default recorder settings
AXRecorderSettings *settings = [AXRecorderSettings recorderSettings];
Swift
// The stream info
let info = AXStreamInfo.init()
info.useSecureConnection = false
info.serverAddress = "23.235.227.213"
info.applicationName = "test"
info.streamName = "demo"
info.username = ""
info.password = ""
// The default recorder settings
let settings = AXRecorderSettings.init()
```

Recorder Setup

The recorder must be initialized using valid stream info and recorder settings. Also, the SDK must be properly configured, otherwise the recorder will fail to initialize. Furthermore, you can choose to enable extra features such as adaptive bitrate or local save.

```
Objective-C
```

```
AXRecorder *recorder = [AXRecorder recorderWithStreamInfo:info settings:settings];
recorder.recorderDelegate = self;
AXError *error;
// Enable adaptive bitrate
// Video quality will be adjusted based on available network and hardware resources
[recorder activateFeatureAdaptiveBitRateWithError:&error];
if (error) {
    // Handle error
} else {
   // Succes
}
// Enable local save
// The broadcast will be saved to the users camera roll when finished
[recorder activateFeatureSaveLocallyWithError:&error];
if (error) {
    // Handle error
} else {
   // Succes
```

Swift

```
if let recorder = AXRecorder.init(streamInfo: info, settings: settings) {
    recorder.recorderDelegate = self
    recorder.setup(with: self.recorderView)
    recorder.prepareToRecord()
    var error: AXError?
    // Enable adaptive bitrate
    // Video quality will be adjusted based on available network and hardware resources
    recorder.activateFeatureAdaptiveBitRateWithError(&error)
    if error != nil {
        // Handle error
    } else {
       // Success
    // Enable local save
    // The broadcast will be saved to the users camera roll when finished
    recorder.activateFeatureSaveLocallyWithError(&error)
    if error != nil {
        // Handle error
    } else {
       // Success
}
```

Video Preview

This is optional. It should be done only if the capture output needs to be seen on the screen. The streaming can work without a capture preview.

```
Objective-C

// Setup the preview
[recorder setupWithView:self.recorderView];

Swift

// Setup the preview
if recorder {
    recorder.setup(with: self.recorderView)
}
```

Streamer Setup

This step is mandatory before starting the streaming. The capture will be started (and outputted to the preview if available). Also, the streamer will be setup for streaming at this step.

```
Objective-C

// Start the capture
[recorder prepareToRecord];

Swift

// Start the capture
if recorder {
    recorder.prepareToRecord()
}
```

Add permissions to Info.plist

In order to successfully start broadcasting, you need to add two usage descriptions to your Info.plist file. Once you open the file in Xcode, right click on the white background, and select 'Show Raw Keys/

Values'. You can add a new entry by right-clicking, and choosing 'Add Row'. The two keys for which you need to create a usage description are NSCameraUsageDescription and NSMicrophoneUsageDescription.

Start and Stop Stream

This should be called after *prepareToRecord*. The stream broadcast will start. The streaming may fail to start due to various reasons, therefore the success flag should be checked, along with the error in case of failure.

Taking a snapshot

You can take snapshots at any point after the sdk was configured by using the following API:

```
Objective-C

// Start the snapshot
[self.recorder takeSnapshotWithCompletion:^(UIImage *snapshot, AXError *error) {
    // do something with the image
}];
Swift
```

```
// Take the screenshot
recorder.takeSnapshot { (image, error) in
  if let image = image {
    // do something with the image
  }
})
```

Zooming

You can zoom in/out in realtime by using the following API:

```
Objective-C

// Get zoom range
NSRange range = self.recorder.getZoomRange;
// Set max zoom
[self.recorder setZoom:range.length error:&error];

Swift

// Get zoom range
let range = self.recorder.getZoomRange
// Set max zoom
recorder.setZoom(range.length, error:&error)
```

Resources

OpenPlayer for Android

Thousands of personal users use OpenPlayer daily to play live or on demand content using Mobile Apps powered by Streamaxia.

Not sure yet? See the working demo of the library here or contact us here.



OpenSDK for Broadcasting



For iOS and Android Mobile App Developers

Easy to integrate, low-latency live video streaming library.

Open broadcast – not limited to any specific CDN, RTMP Media Server or proprietary protocols.

Drag, Drop & Go Live!

OpenSDK 3.0 for iOS

OpenSDK 3.0 for Android

BroadcastMe App

Live Video Streaming Broadcast Apps

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