

# **RealNetworks**

Continuing Innovation in Video Technology

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## **Overview - China**

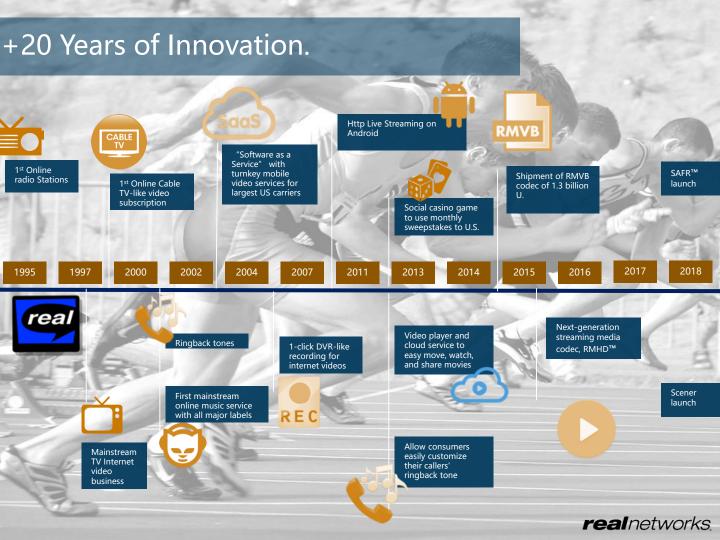
- RealNetworks update
- Comparing China and US video markets
- Demo New Innovations
  - CODEC
  - Streaming
  - User experience
  - Computer Vision

## **Exec Summary – Take Away**

China leads the way in OTT.

RealNetworks continues to innovate new video technologies.







# **real** RealNetworks is strong in China



## History of RN in China

- Established Office in China 2005
- Licensed RealMedia CODEC in 1 Billion devices by 2014
- RMHD™, 11<sup>th</sup> codec version, Huawei OS integration 2015
- RMHD™ adopted by CIBN and StarsChina in 2018 for OTT

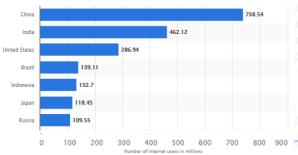






# China OTT vs. US





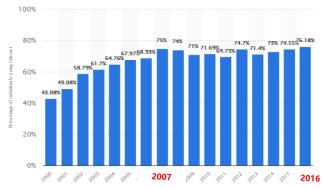


### Global Internet users

38.3% 42.1% 50.3% 53.2% 55.8% 47.9% 50.3% 53.2% 55.8% 47.9% 50.3% 53.2% 55.8% 53.2% 55.8% 53.2% 55.8% 50.3%

Internet penetration of population in China

## Devices on internet (China)



Internet penetration of population in US



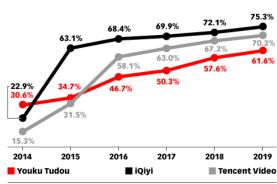
# China's Subscription OTT Video Market Is Booming



In 2018, close to 229
million people in China
will watch video via a
subscription streaming
service that bypasses
traditional distribution.

#### Subscription Over-The-Top (OTT) Video Service User Penetration in China, by Provider, 2014-2019

% of subscription OTT users



Note: individuals of any age who watch video via each provider mentioned using a paid subscription via app or website at least once per month; OTT video services are not mutually exclusive; there is overlap between groups; excludes Hong Kong

Source: eMarketer, Jan 2018

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- ~15k VOD titles
- 19 carousel channels
- Membership: RMB 360 (US \$52) per year

### Users

- 110 M active devices under regulation
- 32 M actives subscribers on its own services







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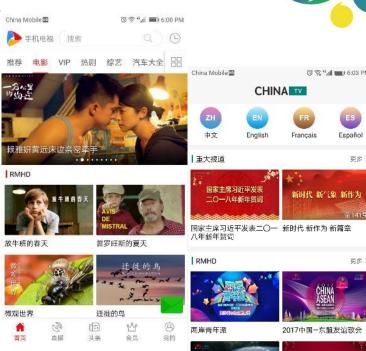
## Background

- StarsChina was founded in Nov China Mobile 2013.

- A CIBN holding company (CIBN Oriental holds 51% shares of StarsChina)
- An emerging company to explore mobile OTT business

### Service

- Positioned as 'Mobile interaction media operator'
- Exclusively runs 'CIBN Mobile TV' service for China Radio International.
- App covers Android and iOS, services cover VOD and Live
- Users (2018)
  - 430M registered users
  - 2M daily active users.





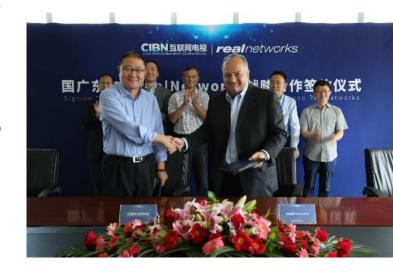
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## **Ambitious Requirements**



- What are the main drivers for CIBN seeking new technology?
  - To take the user experience to higher level
  - To deliver higher video quality as well as save CDN cost
  - To expand HD video service to wider coverage
  - Compelling business value to CIBN
  - Possibility to build a unique ecosystem for new video consumption model







## Commercial and Technical Problems



## **OTTs want to:**

- Improve Video Quality
  - To make video look better requires more data which increases cost for storage and network
  - Then the playback requires more powerful processing resources from device
- Improve Streaming Performance
  - Faster startup and smoother playback requires reducing bitrate
  - Reducing bitrate reduces quality
- Reduce CDN costs
  - CDN is the second highest cost for most OTTs after content acquisition.
- Regain CODEC control
  - H.265 is good but patent situation is complicated and risky
  - H.265 patent pools don't provide any customer support nor optimization





## Real's solution

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## Software CODEC

- Ease the deployment –
   Customer simply installs /
   upgrades software
- Integration OTT can integrate an SDK into their app
- Works on Android, iOS, Linux, Windows. Some phones provide native support.

## Android SDK

- Works on OTT boxes
- Works on mobile phones
- Works on Smart TVs

## Encoder

- Runs on Windows for end users or short term trial
- Runs on Linux for commercial



# Play tomorrow's content on today's networks and devices

#### High-efficiency mobile video compression

RealMedia® HD delivers stunning image quality for today's and tomorrow's media experiences. RealMedia HD is engineered to provide optimal results for ultra-high-definition content, including 1080p, 4K and even 8K.

#### Next generation streaming media codec

#### Huge bandwidth savings

Play crystal-clear 4K at 5 Mbps or Full HD at 1.5 Mbps.

#### Dramatically faster encoding speed

Encode the same source video approximately twice as fast as H.265, and four times as fast as VP9 encoder, without sacrificing quality!

#### Quality delivery on current networks

Ensure faithful reproduction of 1080p and 4K content when streamed over current-generation networks.

#### Efficient hardware utilization

RealMedia HD's low-complexity codec minimizes CPU load, heat and battery drain.

#### High quality with fewer compromises

RealMedia HD provides visibly higher quality at any given bitrate vs. H.264, H.265 and VP9.

#### Support for next-generation media

Prepare for the future with a codec designed for 1080p, 4K, 8K, 360°, VR and more.

#### Seamless device integration

- RealMedia HD is available for embedded devices.
- RealMedia HD SDK supports Windows, iOS and Android devices.
- RealProducer™ is available for content producers interested in generating RMHD content.

#### Provides advantages for:

#### Service operators

Ensure superior experience while drastically reducing encoding and storage costs.

#### **OEMs**

Get crystal-clear 1080p and 4K decoding, even on modest hardware.

#### Chipset vendors

RealMedia HD RTL/FPGA hardware development program, enabling chipset vendors and their customers to implement RMHD decoder with high efficiency.

#### Proud to partner with:









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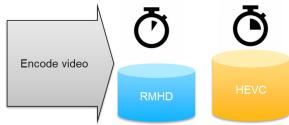


# Introducing RealMediaHD™



- Software Defined CODEC for a Software Defined Network
  - Best balance of quality vs. efficiency
  - High efficiency: smaller files, faster software encode vs. h.265 and VP9
  - High resolution: natively supports 4k, 8k
  - Low CPU consumption: mobile friendly (8-11% more battery consumption vs H.264 software decoder)
  - Moore's Law wins
  - Greater device coverage





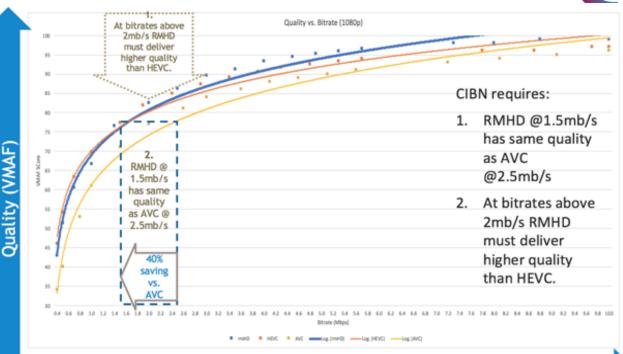
- Smaller
- Faster





# RMHD™ Compression Performance 1080p





### Bitrate mb/s

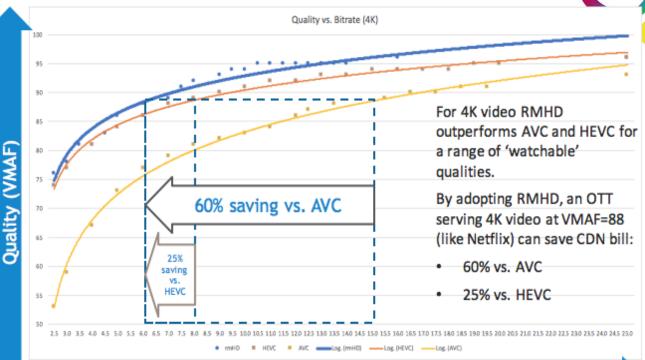
RMHD™ offers cost reduction and service enhancement vs. AVC.





# RMHD™ Compression Performance 4K







RMHD™ offers room for growth to 4K





# **Superior Streaming**



- Low-latency HLS streaming
  - Leveraging learning from RTSP. Move buffering logic from server to client.
  - Fast start up
  - Fast seeking
  - Low latency
  - CDN friendly





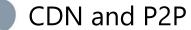




# Low latency HLS Live Streaming

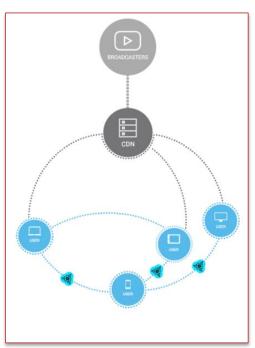


- Use chunked transfer encoding to allow downloading of partial segment as it is being generated.
- Use template to predict future segment URL to eliminate segment discovery delay.
- Pre-generate future segment file place holders to avoid segment downloading http 404 error.
- RMHD™ codec is great for low latency live streaming:
  - Low complexity
  - Short PBBP interframe dependency
  - High compression efficiency





- RealNetworks RMHD Live Streaming solution is CDN friendly. It uses only standard HTTP/1.1 protocol.
- The RMHD™ live streaming is P2P agnostic. It can be easily integrated with P2P solution such as Streamroot DNA.







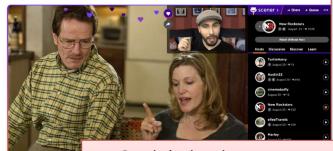


## Introducing Scener: social video for OTT

A 'social layer' sidebar for all OTT shows + movies with social video from influencers and consumers.

- · Uses Chrome to overlay with OTT services, preserving underlying copyright and driving subscriptions.
- · Leverages patent-pending sync to bring video and comments in line with key moments in scripted content.
- · Supports 'live' watch parties scheduled by influencers or studios for big scripted show / movie launch moments.
- · Activates long tail with evergreen synced social video experience that captures reactions and syncs with content to avoid spoilers.
- · Anyone can host their own video commentary and share it with friends or use it to build audience.





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- Social viewing
- Record audience commentary
- See the reactions of your friends when you watch TV

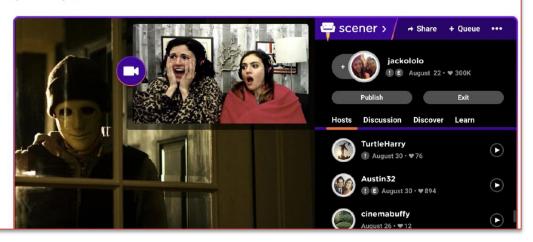






#### Our solution

- Launched Scener V1 (Sep 5th 2018)
  - Chrome extension for PC & Mac
  - Supports Netflix, Hulu, YouTube
- Enthusiastic press momentum behind launch
- Several patents pending on the 'social watching' experience
- . Big plans for mobile, partnerships, and influencer content



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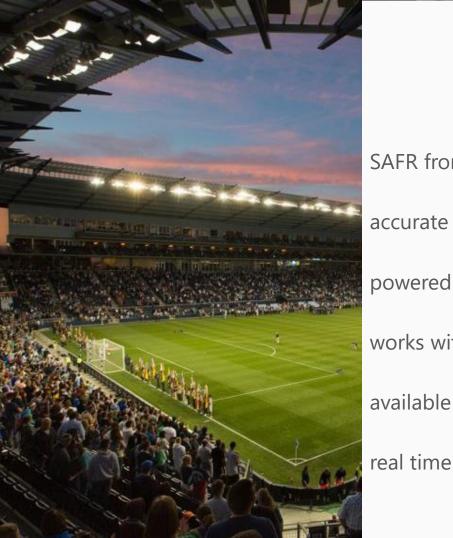


Recognize every fan,

customer, employee, or guest

– and get actionable insights







SAFR from RealNetworks is a highly accurate facial recognition platform powered by artificial intelligence that works with IP cameras and readily available hardware to match faces in

# INDUSTRY-LEADING PERFORMANCE

- Scalable: can reliably match against millions of faces in under a second
- Designed specifically to recognize faces in real-world conditions, including people in motion, in dim lighting, and at occluded angles
- Non-literal matching: handles multiple variations, including masks, makeup, spectacles, hair styles, and aging
- High tolerance to yaw, tilt, and rotation
- Allows error rate tuning to minimize false rejections and false acceptances, or to optimize between the two





# Performance even in adverse settings





















Makeup







Illumination







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## TOP RATED ACCURACY



RealNetworks computer vision topped the list for "labeled faces in the wild" (LFW) achieving a 99.8% accuracy in a test conducted by the University of Massachusetts and 0.048 for Wild Faces FNMR according to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).



University of MA 2017

WILD FACES FNMR\*

National Institute of Standards and Technology 2018

\*The NIST Wild Faces FNMR (false non-match rate) score of 0.048 indicates that the RealNetworks computer vision algorithm correctly recognizes a camera unaware individual from an imperfect image in 95.2% of cases while perfectly differentiating a population of 10,000 people.

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## VIP IDENTIFICATION

- Fast lane access
- Concession preferences
- Merchandise discounts
- Loyalty awards

# SECURE AREA MONITORING

- Access control
- Intruder/offender database alerts
- Loss prevention
- In/Out tracking

# LIVE DATA COLLECTION

- Guest demographics
- Merchandise sales
- Loyalty analysis
- Concessions

## **VISITOR ID & SCREENING**

- Reduce entry friction with face ticket
- ID VIPs for special greeting or premium
- "Face Pay" at concession or merchandise stands
- Locate lost loved ones
- Deliver VIP messages
- Earn loyalty rewards as you traverse the venue





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Gather and compile valuable demographic data











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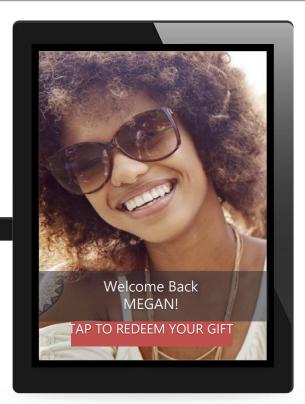


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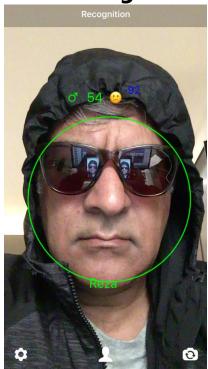


- Deliver VIP messages
- Embed SAFR into existing in-store devices to capture demographics, record sentiment, and evaluate trends and behaviors
- Identify user profiles and preferences for recommendations and premiums.
- Create contextual signage based on guest profile
- Operate interactive mirrors with greater relevance





# SAFR™ Video Facial Recognition



# RealMediaHD™ Streaming in StarsChina





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