# Internet System Multimedia Networking - GStreamer

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- streaming stored audio and video
- streaming live audio and video
- real-time interactive audio and video

- delay sensitive
- loss-tolerant

streaming stored audio and video

#### stored media



video server rack





- streaming
- continuous playout

streaming live audio and video





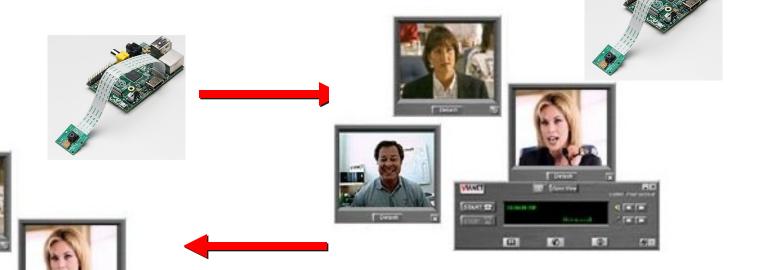
media not stored

multiple streams

broadcasting



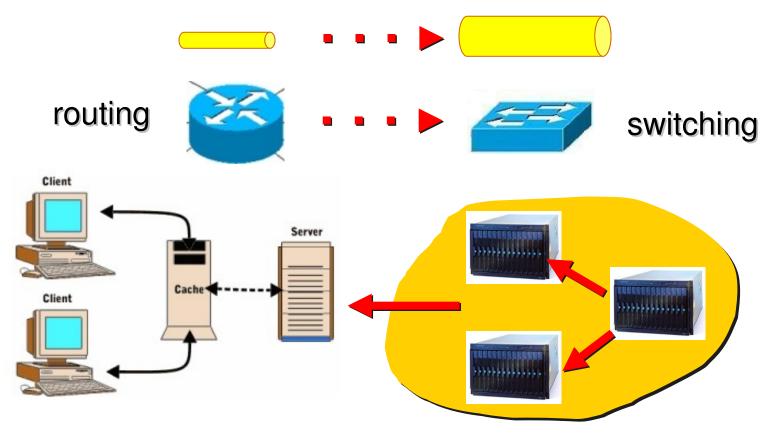
real-time interactive audio and video



- no stored media
  - strong real-time constraints
  - multicasting

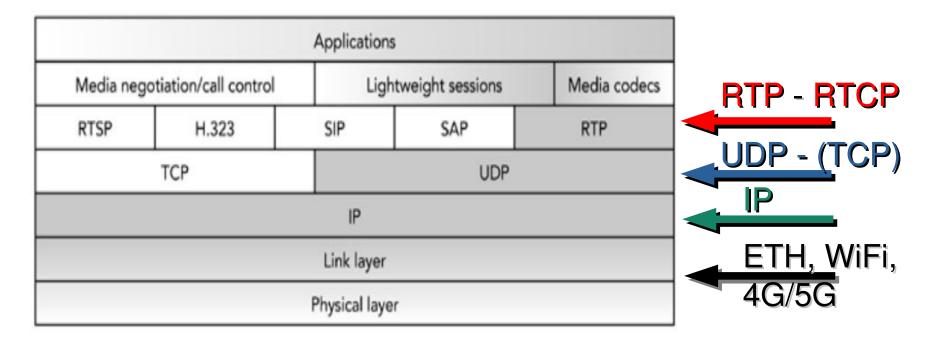
#### Internet evolution

more bandwidth and switching capacity

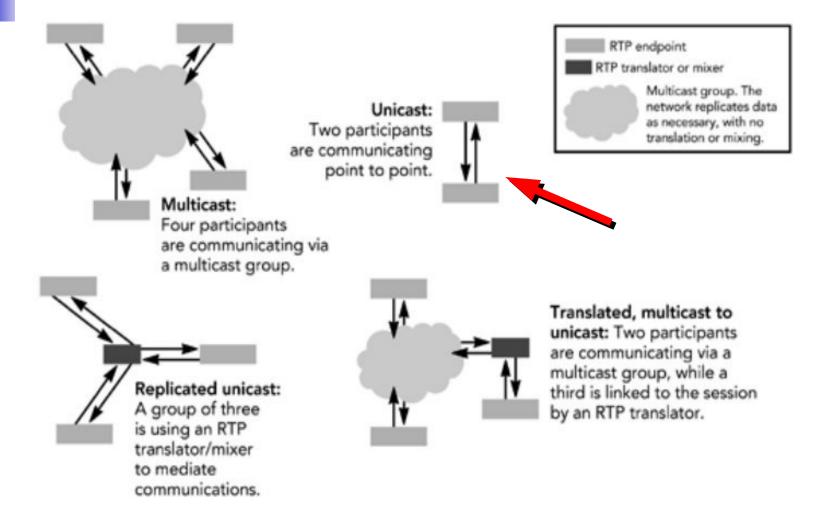


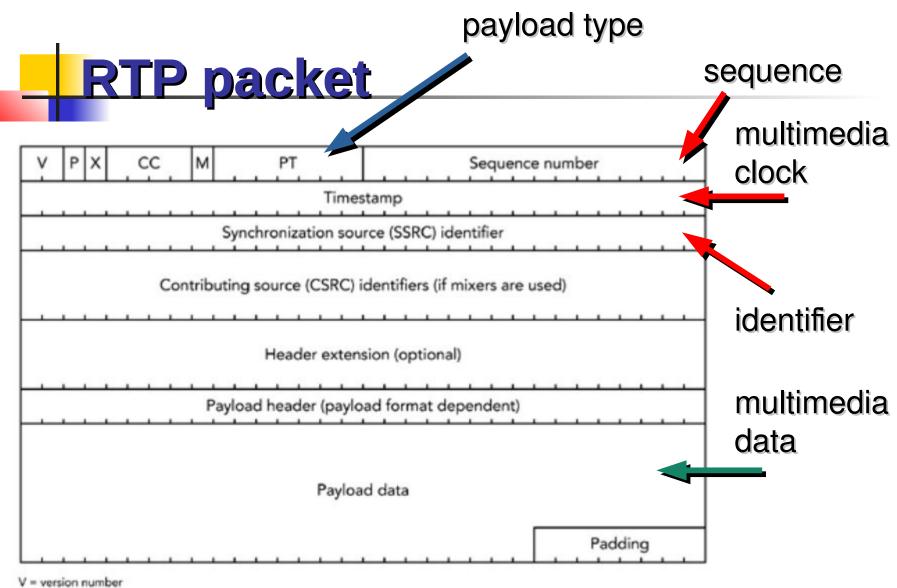
content distribution by replication and caching

## Multimedia protocol stack



## RTP session types





P = padding

X = extensions

CC = count of contributing sources

M = marker

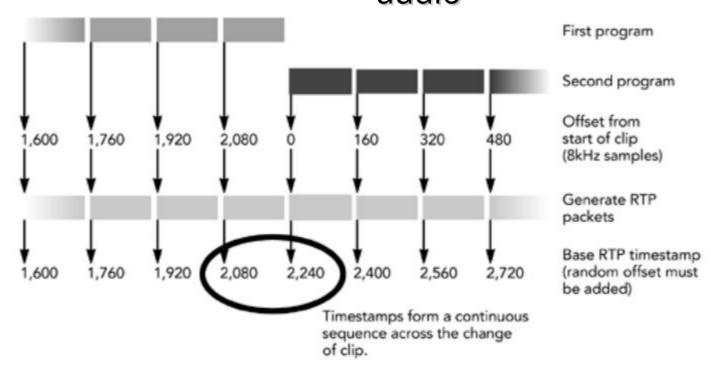
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## RTP packet: payload type

Payload Type Number	Payload Format	Specification	Description
0	AUDIO/PCMU	RFC 1890	ITU G.711 $\mu$ -law audio
3	AUDIO/GSM	RFC 1890	GSM full-rate audio
8	AUDIO/PCMA	RFC 1890	ITU G.711 A-law audio
12	AUDIO/QCELP	RFC 2658	PureVoice QCELP audio
14	AUDI O/ MPA	RFC 2250	MPEG audio (e.g., MP3)
26	VIDEO/JPEG	RFC 2435	Motion J PEG video
31	VIDEO/H261	RFC 2032	ITU H.261 video
32	VIDEO/MPV	RFC 2250	MPEG I/II video

96 to 127 – dynamic (includes H264)

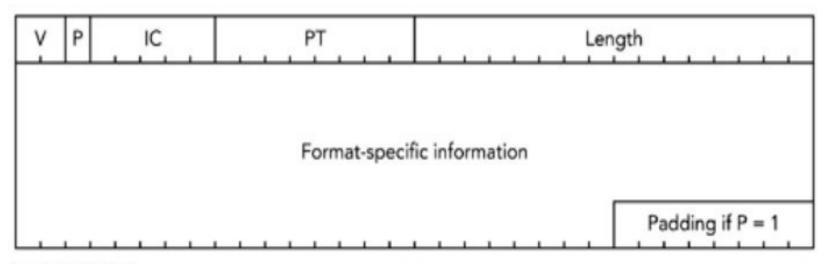
## RTP packet : timestamp



20 ms \* 8000 1/s => 160 (timestamp distance)

reference – media clock audio (8kHz), video (96KHz)

## RTCP packet



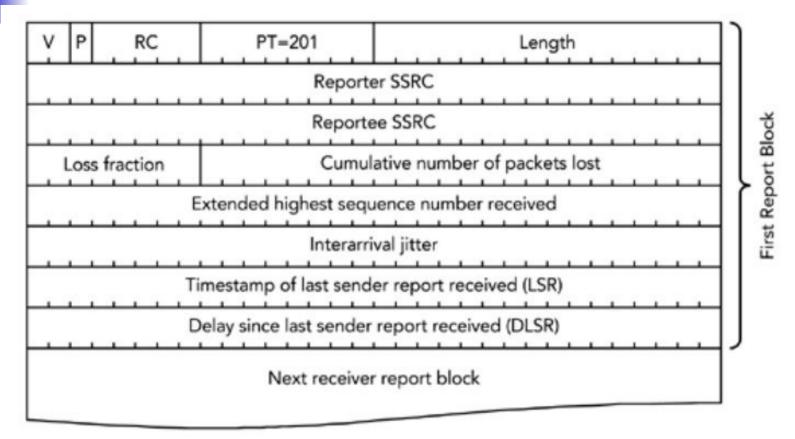
V = version number

P = padding

IC = item count

PT - packet type

### RTCP packet: receiver report



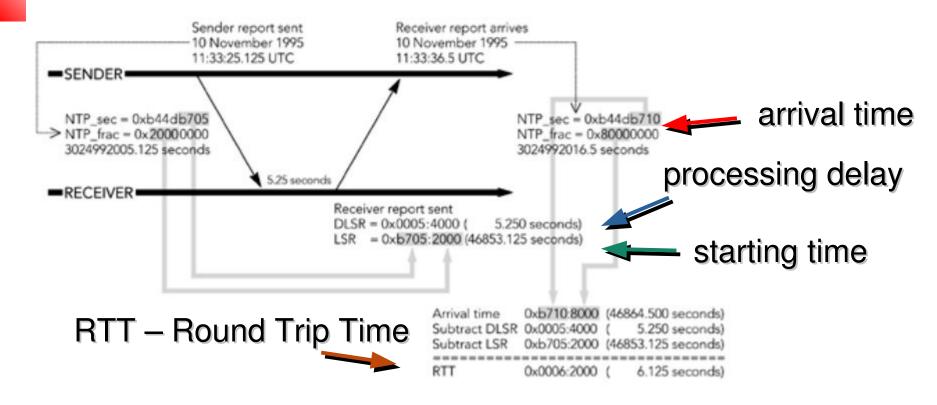
V = version number

P = padding

RC = number of receiver report blocks

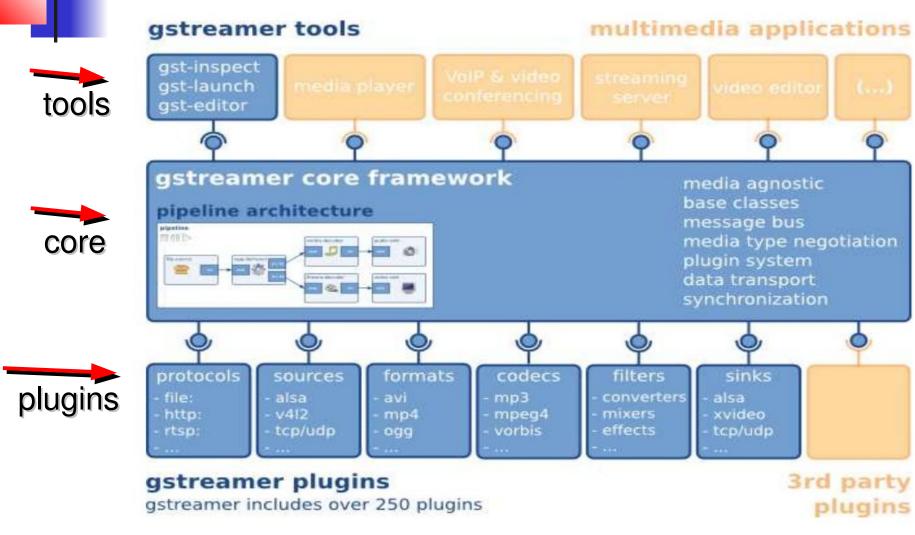
PT = packet type

### RTT time computation



NTP – Network Time Protocol – data on 64 bits 0xb44db710 – seconds:0x80000000 - fraction of second

### GStreamer – global overview



#### GStreamer – elements

There are different types of elements such as:

- source element: the source of stream
- sink element: the destination of stream
- filter: the manipulator of streams

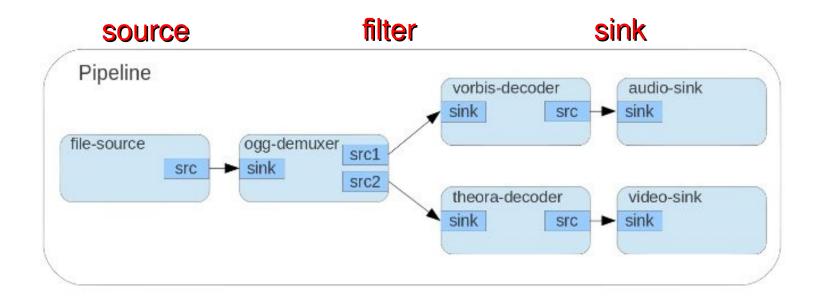


#### GStreamer – pipeline

Pipeline is a top level Bin (component).

Each application must have one pipeline.

The following figure demonstrates a pipeline for an ogg player.



### Using Gstreamer - launch

gst-launch also allows the use of multiple threads.

You can use **dots** to imply **padnames** on elements, or even omit the padname to automatically select a pad.

Using all this, the pipeline (note the use of queue element):

```
gst-launch filesrc location=file.ogg ! oggdemux
name=d d. ! queue ! theoradec ! videoconvert !
xvimagesink d. ! queue ! vorbisdec !
audioconvert ! audioresample ! alsasink
```

will play an Ogg file containing a Theora video-stream and a Vorbis audio-stream.

### <u> Using GStreamer - inspect</u>

gst-inspect can be used to inspect all properties, signals, dynamic parameters codecs, and the object hierarchy of an element.

```
bako@mezza:~$ gst-inspect-0.10 | grep mp3
ffmpeq:
       ffmux mp3: FFmpeg MPEG audio layer 3 formatter (not recommended, use id3v2mux instead)
ffmpeg: ffdec mp3on4float: FFmpeg MP3onMP4 decoder
ffmpeg: ffdec mp3on4: FFmpeg MP3onMP4 decoder
ffmpeg: ffdec mp3adufloat: FFmpeg ADU (Application Data Unit) MP3 (MPEG audio layer 3) decoder
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ffmpeg: ffdec mp3float: FFmpeg MP3 (MPEG audio layer 3) decoder
ffmpeg: ffdec mp3: FFmpeg MP3 (MPEG audio layer 3) decoder
flump3dec: flump3dec: Fluendo MP3 Decoder (liboil build)
mpegaudioparse: mp3parse: MPEG1 Audio Parser
typefindfunctions: audio/mpeg: mp3, mp2, mp1, mpga
typefindfunctions: application/x-apetag: mp3, ape, mpc, wv
typefindfunctions: application/x-id3v1: mp3, mp2, mp1, mpga, ogg, flac, tta
typefindfunctions: application/x-id3v2: mp3, mp2, mp1, mpga, ogg, flac, tta
mad: mad: mad mp3 decoder
lame: lame: L.A.M.E. mp3 encoder
lame: lamemp3enc: L.A.M.E. mp3 encoder
```

#### Using ChatGPT to build pipelines

#### prompt :

Write GStreamer pipeline to decode and play video audio file h264 and mp3 for example.

```
gst-launch-1.0 filesrc location=yourfile.mp4 !
qtdemux name=demux \
demux.video_0 ! queue ! h264parse ! avdec_h264
! videoconvert ! autovideosink \
demux.audio_0 ! queue ! mp3parse !
mpg123audiodec ! audioconvert ! autoaudiosink
```

#### **Modifications:**

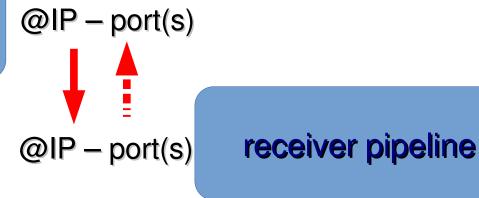
Mpg123audiodec should be replaced by mad autovideosink by ximagesink

#### GStreamer – streaming

GStreamer allows us to send the multimedia flows over several Internet protocols :

- UDP, (TCP) as simple data flows or
- RTP/UDP and RTP/RTCP/UDP as controlled multimedia flows

sender pipeline



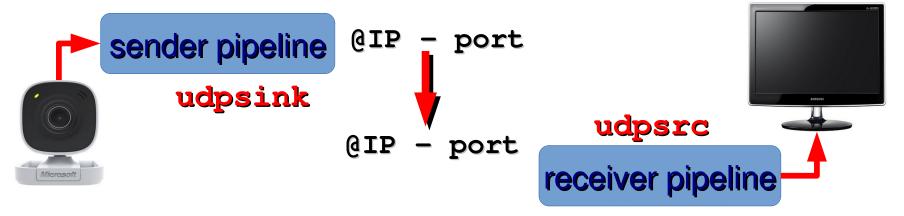
#### <u>Gstreamer – streaming on UDP</u>

#config.sh
CLIENT="adresse\_IP\_client"
PORT\_UDP\_VIDEO=5000 #flux UDP video

source config.sh gst-launch-1.0 v4l2src device=/dev/video1 ! video/xh264, width=1280, height=720, framerate=30/1 ! udpsink

host=\$CLIENT port=\$PORT\_UDP\_VIDEO

source config.sh gst-launch-1.0 udpsrc port=\$PORT\_UDP\_VIDEO ! queue ! h264parse ! openh264dec ! videoconvert ! xvimagesink



### Streaming video on RTP/UDP

```
CLIENT_IP="192.168.1.62"

gst-launch-1.0 -v v4l2src device=/dev/video1 ! video/x-
h264, width=640, height=480, framerate=30/1 ! \
h264parse ! rtph264pay mtu=1400 ! udpsink
host=$CLIENT_IP port=8050 sync=false async=false
```



```
gst-launch-1.0 udpsrc port=8050 caps="application/x-rtp,
media=(string)video, clock-rate=(int)90000, encoding-
name=(string)H264, encoding-params=(string)1" ! \
rtph264depay ! h264parse ! avdec_h264 ! queue !
videoconvert ! xvimagesink
```

#### payload specifications (PT) - capacities

## Streaming audio on RTP/UDP

```
gst-launch-1.0 -v alsasrc device="default" !
audioconvert ! audioresample ! audio/x-
raw,rate=16000,channels=2 ! opusenc bitrate=64000 !
rtpopuspay pt=97 ! udpsink host=127.0.0.1 port=5002
```



```
gst-launch-1.0 -v udpsrc port=5002 caps="application/x-rtp, media=audio, encoding-name=OPUS, payload=97" ! rtpjitterbuffer ! rtpopusdepay ! opusdec ! audioconvert ! autoaudiosink
```

#### payload specifications (PT) - capacities

## Streaming video-audio on RTP/UDP

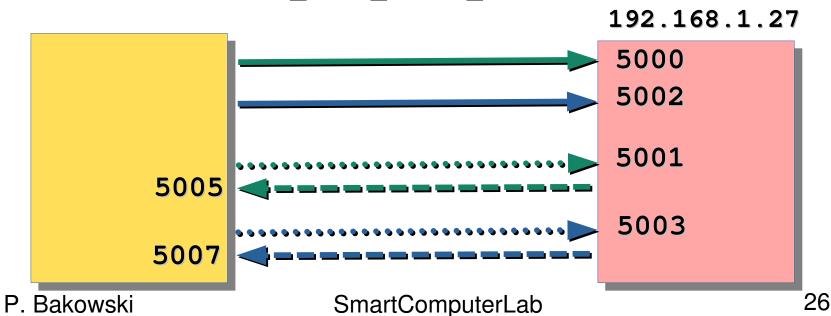
gst-launch-1.0 -v v4l2src device=/dev/video0 ! video/x-h264, height=480, width=640 framerate=30/1 ! h264parse ! rtph264pay config-interval=1 pt=96 ! udpsink host=127.0.0.1 port=5000 alsasrc device="default" ! audioconvert ! audioresample ! audio/x-raw,rate=16000,channels=2 ! opusenc bitrate=64000 ! rtpopuspay pt=97 ! udpsink host=127.0.0.1 port=5002



gst-launch-1.0 -v \ udpsrc port=5000 caps="application/x-rtp, media=video, encoding-name=H264, payload=96" ! rtpjitterbuffer ! rtph264depay ! avdec\_h264 ! videoconvert ! ximagesink \ udpsrc port=5002 caps="application/x-rtp, media=audio, encoding-name=OPUS, payload=97" ! rtpjitterbuffer ! rtpopusdepay ! opusdec ! audioconvert ! autoaudiosink

#### Streaming video-audio on RTP-RTCP/UDP

# config.sh
CLIENT=192.168.1.27
PORT\_RTP\_VIDEO=5000
PORT\_RTCP\_VIDEO=5001
PORT\_RTP\_AUDIO=5002
PORT\_RTCP\_AUDIO=5003
PORT\_RTCP\_VIDEO\_RET=5005
PORT\_RTCP\_AUDIO\_RET=5007



## Streaming video-audio on RTP-RTCP/UDP sender

```
source config.sh
gst-launch-1.0 rtpbin name=rtpbin \
v4l2src device=/dev/video1 ! video/x-h264, width=1920, height=1080,
framerate=30/1 ! rtph264pay ! rtpbin.send_rtp_sink_0 \
rtpbin.send rtp src 0 ! udpsink host=192.168.1.27 port=$PORT RTP VIDEO \
rtpbin.send_rtcp_src_0 ! udpsink host=192.168.1.27 port=$PORT_RTCP_VIDEO \
sync=false async=false \
udpsrc port=$PORT RTCP VIDEO RET ! rtpbin.recv_rtcp_sink_0 \
alsasrc device="default" ! queue ! audioconvert ! audioresample ! audio/x-raw,
rate=16000, width=16, channels=1 ! speexenc ! rtpspeexpay !
rtpbin.send rtp sink 1 \
rtpbin.send rtp src 1 ! udpsink host=192.168.1.27 port=$PORT RTP AUDIO \
rtpbin.send rtcp src 1 ! udpsink host=192.168.1.27 port=$PORT RTCP AUDIO \
sync=false async=false \
udpsrc port=$PORT RTCP AUDIO RET ! rtpbin.recv_rtcp_sink_1
```

#### Streaming video-audio on RTP-RTCP/UDP

#### receiver

```
source config.sh
gst-launch-1.0 -v rtpbin name=rtpbin
     udpsrc caps="application/x-rtp, media=(string)video,clock-rate=(int)90000,
encoding-name=(string)H264, encoding-params=(string)1" \
     port=$PORT RTP VIDEO ! rtpbin.recv rtp sink 0 \
     rtpbin. ! queue ! rtph264depay ! h264parse ! avdec_h264 ! queue ! videoconvert !
xvimagesink \
      udpsrc port=$PORT RTCP VIDEO ! rtpbin.recv rtcp sink 0
      rtpbin.send_rtcp_src_0 ! udpsink port=$PORT RTCP VIDEO RET sync=false
async=false \
      udpsrc caps="application/x-rtp, media=(string) audio, clock-rate=(int)16000,
encoding-name=(string)SPEEX, encoding-params=(string)1, payload=(int)110" \
      port=$PORT RTP AUDIO ! rtpbin.recv rtp sink 1 \
      rtpbin. ! queue ! rtpspeexdepay ! decodebin ! audioconvert ! alsasink \
      udpsrc port=$PORT RTCP AUDIO ! rtpbin.recv rtcp sink 1 \
      rtpbin.send_rtcp_src_1 ! udpsink port=$PORT_RTCP_AUDIO_RET sync=false
async=false
```



- Multimedia protocol stack
- RTP and RTCP protocols
- GStreamer framework and components
- GStreamer pipelines examples

Lab2: testing GStreamer examples without or with ChatGPT assistance.



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