

# Enhanced Media Operations With Structured SDP



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- Why?
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- SDP OPS in OpenSIPS 3.6
- Future Work



# About Me

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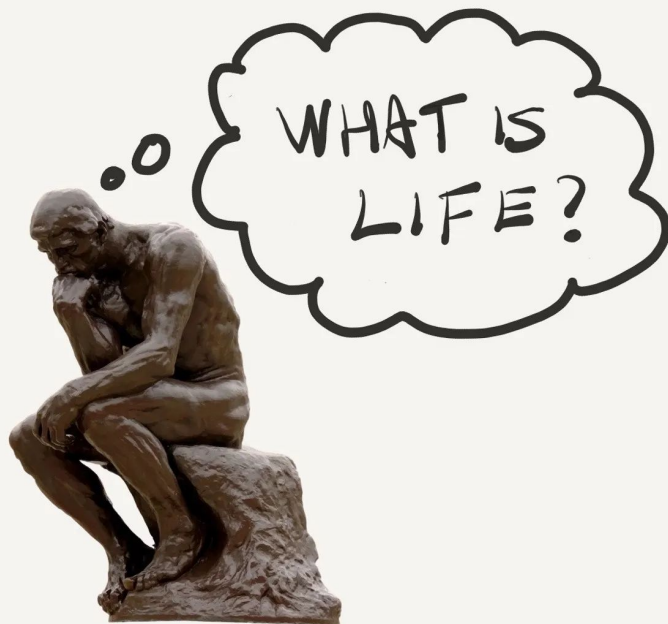


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What is SDP?

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# Session Description Protocol



- session
- streams
- attributes

```
v=0
o=- 5314000948960589552 4 IN IP4 127.0.0.1
s=-
t=0 0
a=group:BUNDLE 0 1 2
a=extmap-allow-mixed
a=msid-semantic: WMS
461f346d-0614-4a74-897b-373dd7ae64cb
m=video 33737 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103
c=IN IP4 67.159.8.210
a=rtcp:9 IN IP4 0.0.0.0
a=candidate:2807186827 1 udp 2122260223
169.254.166.135
```

...

- RFC 2327, april 1998
  - Laid the foundation for session descriptions
- RFC 3264, june 2002
  - offer/answer model; dynamic negotiation of session params
- RFC 4566, july 2006
  - consolidation: improved ABNF (syntax); improved IPv6 support
- RFC 8866, jan 2021
  - terminology; align with ABNF syntax
  - mandatory RTCP for inactive media streams
  - reorganize IANA registries

**Why edit the SDP?**



# Need to Edit SDP



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- Packetization time **a=ptime:80**

- Topology hiding
  - change origination username/address

**o=FreeSWITCH 2890844526 2890842807 IN IP4 10.47.16.5**

- Multi-leg call scenarios (B2B, media\_exchange, etc.)  
rtpproxy/rtpengine

```
rtpproxy_offer([flags], [ip_address], [set_id],  
               [sock_var], [ret_var], [body_var])
```

(since 3.3)

# SDP Payload Growth over Time



Era	Main Growth Contributors	Approx. Size Impact
Initial SDP (1998)	Basic media lines, static attributes	~200–400 bytes
Offer/Answer (2002)	Codec negotiation, RTP mapping	~500–1000 bytes
ICE & DTLS (~2010)	ICE candidates, credentials, DTLS fingerprints	+1–2 KB
WebRTC (~2015)	Simulcast, RID, BUNDLE, MID, MSID	+2–3 KB
Online Meetings	Multiple streams, SFU support, fine-grained attributes	+3–5 KB or more

# Previous Limitations In *opensips.cfg*

# Buffer-driven Processing



```
v=0
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s=
t=0 0
a=group:BUNDLE 0 1 2
a=extmap-allow-mixed
a=msid-semantic: MMS 461f346d-0614-4a74-897b-373d67ae64cb
m=video 37373 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 127 125 39 40 45 46 98 99 100 101 112 113 116 117 118
c=IN IP4 67.159.8.210
a=rtpmap:9 IN IP4 0.0.0.0
a=candidate:2807186827 1 udp 2122260223 169.254.166.135 63973 typ host generation 0 network-id 2
a=candidate:198117942 1 udp 2122194687 192.168.1.49 51053 typ host generation 0 network-id 3
a=candidate:1763604216 1 udp 2122129151 192.168.1.244 63730 typ host generation 0 network-id 1 network-cost 10
a=candidate:844920887 1 udp 1685921535 79.125.240.120 63730 typ srflx raddr 192.168.1.244 rport 63730 generation 0 network-id 1 network-cost 10
a=candidate:1861361652 1 udp 1685987071 79.125.240.120 51053 typ srflx raddr 192.168.1.49 rport 51053 generation 0 network-id 3
a=candidate:1509462303 1 tcp 1518280447 169.254.166.135 9 typ host tcptype active generation 0 network-id 2
a=candidate:3119050686 1 tcp 1518214911 192.168.1.49 9 typ host tcptype active generation 0 network-id 3
a=candidate:110711009 1 tcp 1518349375 192.168.1.244 9 typ host tcptype active generation 0 network-id 1 network-cost 10
a=candidate:1401471013 1 udp 25642943 67.159.8.210 33737 typ relay raddr 79.125.240.120 rport 56299 generation 0 network-id 3
a=icefrag:9fca
a=ice-pwd:2fCd9yM0Sz/pkHBA6LrEZOf
a=ice-options:trickle
a=fingerprint:sha-256 66:E2:0F:A8:B5:7A:0A:50:62:CA:D8:63:03:62:19:4B:F3:81:BA:C9:53:F9:EB:42:D9:E3:27:3E:D0:71:C9:C2
a=setup:actpass
a=mid:0
a=extmap:1 urn:ietf:params:rtp-hdrext:toffset
a=extmap:2 http://www.webrtc.org/experiments/rtp-hdrext/abs-send-time
a=extmap:3 urn:3gpp:video-orientation
a=extmap:4 http://www.ietf.org/draft-holmer-rmcat-transport-wide-cc-extensions-01
a=extmap:5 http://www.webrtc.org/experiments/rtp-hdrext/playout-delay
a=extmap:6 http://www.webrtc.org/experiments/rtp-hdrext/video-content-type
a=extmap:7 http://www.webrtc.org/experiments/rtp-hdrext/video-timing
a=extmap:8 http://www.webrtc.org/experiments/rtp-hdrext/color-space
a=extmap:9 urn:ietf:params:rtp-hdrext:sdes:mid
a=extmap:10 urn:ietf:params:rtp-hdrext:sdes:rtp-stream-id
a=extmap:11 urn:ietf:params:rtp-hdrext:sdes:repaired-rtp-stream-id
a=sendonly
a=msid:461f346d-0614-4a74-897b-373d67ae64cb 74383c04-ac98-490e-836a-2378b453be74
a=rtpcp-mux
a=rtpcp-rsize
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000
a=rtpcp-fb:96 goog-remb
a=rtpcp-fb:96 transport-cc
a=rtpcp-fb:96 ccm fir
a=rtpcp-fb:96 nack
a=rtpcp-fb:96 nack pli
a=rtpmap:97 rtx/90000
a=fmtp:97 apt=96
a=rtpmap:102 H264/90000
a=rtpcp-fb:102 goog-remb
a=rtpcp-fb:102 transport-cc
a=rtpcp-fb:102 ccm fir
a=rtpcp-fb:102 nack
a=rtpcp-fb:102 nack pli
a=fmtp:102 level-asymmetry-allowed=1;packetization-mode=1;profile-level-id=42801f
a=rtpmap:103 rtx/90000
a=fmtp:103 apt=102
a=rtpmap:104 H264/90000
a=rtpcp-fb:104 goog-remb
a=rtpcp-fb:104 transport-cc
a=rtpcp-fb:104 ccm fir
a=rtpcp-fb:104 nack
```

- textops – regex ops
  - subst()
  - subst\_body()



**CPU Inefficient!!**

# Multi-Streams Ambiguity



- Change VP8 codec from video stream #2, but not #1?

...

**m=video** 33737 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...

c=IN IP4 67.159.8.210

**a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000**

...

**m=audio** 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 63 111 9 0 8 13 110 126

c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0

...

**m=video** 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...

c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0

**a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000**

...

# Changes are not real-time



- Cannot see changes
- Cannot verify changes
- Difficult to edit

```
...
m=video 33737 UDP/VP8/80000 RTP/SAVPF 96 97...
c=IN IP4 67.159.10
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000
...
m=audio 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 63 111 9...
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.1.2.3.4
...
m=video 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102...
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000
...
```

Two blue arrows are overlaid on the text. One arrow points from the 'VP8/80000' text to the IP address '67.159.10' in the first media line. The other arrow points from the '0.0.0.1.2.3.4' text to the IP address '0.0.0.0' in the third media line.



# Cannot Edit Separate SDP



```
INVITE sip:18643072527@35.131.160.61 SIP/2.0
Via: SIP/2.0/UDP 35.131.160.54:5070;rport;branch=z9hG4bKgKFSZFFm15gZj
From: "Polycom VVX 350" <sip:18644791100@35.131.160.54>;tag=9yUDU0yv41DBQ
To: <sip:18643072527@35.131.160.61>
Call-ID: 5470786f-292e-4841-9eb5-4b544ea835e4
CSeq: 1 INVITE
User-Agent: oss-test-call
Content-Type: application/sdp
Content-Length: 10608
```

```
v=0
o=- 5314000948960589552 4 IN IP4 127.0.0.1
s=-
t=0 0
a=group:BUNDLE 0 1 2
a=extmap-allow-mixed
a=msid-semantic: WMS 461f346d-0614-4a74-897b-373dd7ae64cb
m=video 33737 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...
```

```
...
m=video 33737 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...
c=IN IP4 67.159.8.210
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000
...
m=audio 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 63 111 9 0 8 13 110 126
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0
...
m=video 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000
...
```

# Difficult to Extract Codec List



```
...  
m=video 33737 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...  
c=IN IP4 67.159.8.210  
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000  
...  
m=audio 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 63 111 9 0 8 13 110 126  
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0  
...  
m=video 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...  
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0  
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000  
...
```

# High Risk of Corruption



```
...  
m=video 33737 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...  
c=IN IP4 20.30.40.5067.159.8.210  
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000  
...  
m=audio 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 63 111 9 0 8 13 110 126  
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0  
...  
m=video 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...  
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0  
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000  
...
```

# New SDP Manipulation Support

# New SDP Support

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- standalone logic, data structures
- SDP changes attached to sip\_msg
- **optional!!** -> zero impact on existing *opensips.cfg* files

# SDP Body Read/Write



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```
xlog("$sdp\n");           # DIRTY? -> full SDP rebuild!  
xlog("$(<reply>sdp)\n");  # DIRTY? -> full SDP rebuild!  
$sdp = $var(rtpengine_sdp);  
$(<reply>sdp) = $var(rtpengine_sdp);
```

# Line-Oriented SDP Processing - READ

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```
$sdp.line(a=)
$sdp.line(a=[0])
$sdp.line(a=ptime[1])
$sdp.line(a=nortpproxy)
$sdp.line(a=[100]) # probably returns NULL
```

# Line-Oriented SDP Processing - READ



```
$sdp.line(m=audio[1])      # m=audio 27292 RTP/AVP 9 8 0 2 102 100 99
$sdp.line(m=audio[1]/[0])  # audio
$sdp.line(m=audio[1]/[1])  # 27292
$sdp.line(m=audio[1]/[2])  # RTP/AVP
$sdp.line(m=audio[1]/[9])  # 99
$sdp.line(m=audio[$var(i)]/[$var(j)]) # 99
$sdp.line(m=audio[1]/[10]) # NULL
$sdp.line(m=audio[1]/RTP)   # RTP/AVP
$sdp.line(m=audio[1]/RTP\AVP) # RTP/AVP
$sdp.line(m=audio[1]/RTP\AVP[0]) # RTP/AVP
$sdp.line(m=audio[1]/RTP\AVP[1]) # NULL
$sdp.line(m=audio[1]/RTQ)   # NULL
```



# Line-Oriented SDP Processing - WRITE



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# delete

`$sdp.line(a=nortpproxy) = NULL;`

# replace

`$sdp.line(a=nortpproxy) = "a=rtprelay:yes";`

# insert

`$(sdp.line(aptime)[insert]) = "a=nortpproxy:yes";`

# inject

`$(sdp.line(aptime)[insertAfter]) = "a=nortpproxy:yes";`

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# Stream-Oriented SDP Processing



...

```
m=video 33737 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...  
c=IN IP4 67.159.8.210  
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000
```

...

```
m=audio 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 63 111 9 0 8 13 110 126  
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0
```

...

```
m=video 9 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103 104 ...  
c=IN IP4 0.0.0.0  
a=rtpmap:96 VP8/90000
```

...

# Stream-Oriented SDP Processing



```
$sdp.stream(video[1]/a=fmtp:115/bitrate=)
```

*(stream)*                      *(line)*                      *(attribute)*

# Stream-Oriented SDP Processing



```
# within a stream, filter by line
$sdp.stream(/a=ptime);
$sdp.stream([1]/a=ptime);
$sdp.stream(audio[1]/a=ptime);
$sdp.stream(a[1]/a=ptime);
$sdp.stream(video[1]/a=nortpproxy) = NULL;
$sdp.stream(v[1]/a=nortpproxy:[0]) = "yes";

# ... and, additionally, by attribute
$sdp.stream(video[1]/a=fmtp:115/bitrate=) = 48000;
$sdp.stream(video[1]/a=fmtp:115[3]) = NULL;
$sdp.stream(video[1]/a=fmtp:115/bitrate=) = 48000;
```

# Session-Oriented SDP Processing



...

```
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Content-Type: application/sdp
Content-Length: 10608
```

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m=video 33737 UDP/TLS/RTP/SAVPF 96 97 102 103
c=IN IP4 67.159.8.210
a=rtcp:9 IN IP4 0.0.0.0
```

...

# Session-Oriented SDP Processing

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```
$sdp.session(a=)
$sdp.session(a=[0])
$sdp.session(a=ptime[1])
$sdp.session(a=nortpproxy)
$sdp.session(a=[100]) # probably returns NULL
```

opensips/



/test/test-sdp-ops.cfg

# Interaction with Legacy Code



# Interaction w/ Legacy SDP Ops



## “L” Changes

*rtpproxy\_offer()*

*rtpengine\_manage()*

*codec\_move\_up()*

*mc\_compact()*



## “RT” Changes

*\$sdp.line([10]) = “ptime:80”;*

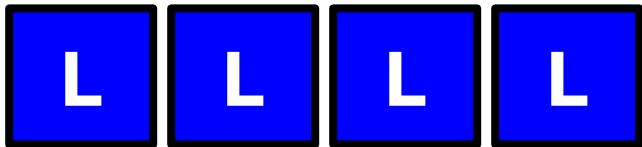
*\$(sdp.line([15])[insert]) =  
“a=rtpproxy:yes”;*

*\$sdp.line([5]) = NULL;*



# 1. Legacy-only Changes

- no difference in behavior
- lumps evaluated lazily, as before
- can apply lumps w/ [get\\_updated\\_body\\_part\(\)](#)
  - added in 3.3!



time

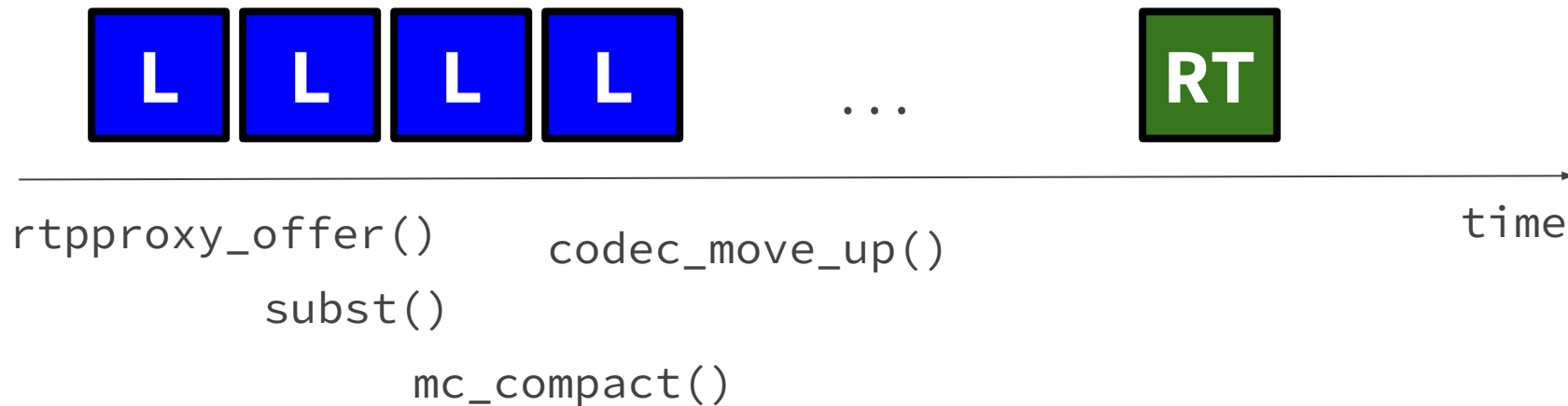
## 2. SDP-Ops only Changes

- **real-time** SDP changes
  - no more lumps!
- readable code
  - no more complex SDP regex (hard to maintain)
- accurate edits
  - less risk of corrupting the SDP



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### 3. Legacy + SDP-Ops Changes



## 4. SDP-Ops + Legacy Changes

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...



`mc_compact()`

# Resources

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<https://www.opensips.org/Documentation/Script-CoreVar-3-7#sdp>

<https://www.opensips.org/Documentation/Script-CoreVar-3-7#sdp.line>

<https://www.opensips.org/Documentation/Script-CoreVar-3-7#sdp.stream>

<https://www.opensips.org/Documentation/Script-CoreVar-3-7#sdp.session>

<https://www.opensips.org/Documentation/Script-CoreVar-3-7#sdp.stream.idx>

# Next Steps



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- Beta: polish implementation
  - negative indexing
  - named (custom) SDP holders
  - stream/session full delete/replace
- Write more tests
- 3.6 -> get feedback on SDP-Ops

# Future Work

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- optimize – remove legacy "body lumps" code
- expose SDP operations API, to fit module needs
- fully remove `msg.body_lumps`
- rewrite module code to use new SDP ops API
  - (rtpproxy, rtpengine, media\_proxy, sipmsgops, nathelper, compression)
  - LOTS OF TESTING, RISK OF BREAKAGE – OpenSIPS 4.0 ???



# Take-Away Message

## New & Powerful SDP Management Toolkit in OpenSIPS 3.6+

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