



LiveTV for Mobile Applications Final Project Report

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this document

Purpose of this document is to describe the final product and metrics of the *LiveTV for Mobile Applications* project with special attention to milestones, requirements fulfillment etc.

1.2 Intended Audience

The intended audience is:

- Project customer (Damir Iović and Klaas Eriksen)
- Project supervisor (Rikard Land)
- Team members

1.3 Scope

The document will give the final report of the project. This will include requirements fulfillment, milestones fulfillment, team member performance, project timeline etc.

1.4 Definitions and acronyms

1.4.1 Definitions

Keyword	Definitions

1.4.2 Acronyms and abbreviations

Acronym or abbreviation	Definitions
FER	Faculty of electrical engineering and computing, Zagreb
MdH	Mälardalen University, Vasteras, Sweden
SVN	Subversion revision control software
API	Application Programming Interface
S60	Symbian S60 operating system
VLC	VideoLAN server used for streaming
FER	Faculty of electrical engineering and computing, Zagreb
MdH	Mälardalen University, Vasteras, Sweden
SVN	Subversion revision control software

1.5 References

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2. Background and Objectives

3. Organization

3.1 Project Manager

Project managers for the *LiveTV* project were:

- Clément Fouque – Project Leader
- Darko Ronić – Team Leader

3.2 Project group

Name	Initials	Responsibility (roles)
Clément Fouque	CF	Project leader; Studio application developer (C#); Testing
Amer Tahir	AT	VLC and Studio application developer (C# and C++); System Integrator
Dalibor Mesarić	DM	Studio application developer (C#); Testing
Nima Moghaddami Khalilzad	NMK	Java player developer (Java); Android player developer :D
Darko Ronić	DR	Team leader; Recording application developer (Symbian C++); VLC recompiler
Neven Vujasinović	NV	Recording application developer (Symbian C++); GUI designer
Željko Rumenjak	ŽR	Java player developer; Android Recorder developer; SVN manager

3.3 Steering Group

Project implementation is practically opened to interpretation. Customer's opinion was that the team should decide how to implement the system. Since a half-working version of the system already exists, it was be used as a guideline but without any important influence to the project. Regular meetings were held with project supervisor. Iterations in the development gave us a good feedback to see if our path was correct.

3.4 Customer

Project customers are Damir Isović (vice-dean at MdH) and Klaas Eriksson (OneDial AB).

3.5 Others

Project supervisor is Rikard Land from MdH.

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4. Milestones

Id	Milestone Description	Responsible Dept./Initials	Finished week				Metr.	Rem.
			Plan	Forecast		Actual		
				Week	+/-			
M001	Requirements analysis & definition	DR, CF	41	41	0	41	0	
M002	Basic recording application	DR, NV	43	43	0	48	+5	REM1
M003	Basic player application	ŽR, NMK	43	43	0	42	-1	
M004	Basic VLC streaming functionality	AT	43	43	0	44	+1	
M005	System – Alpha version	Re + Pl + AT	44	44	0	44	0	
M006	Studio application - GUI	CF, DM	45	45	0	45	0	
M007	Studio application - complete	CF, DM, AT	47	47	0	46	-1	
M008	System – Beta version	ALL	47	47	0	47	0	
M009	System – Release Candidate	ALL	51	51	0	50	-1	
M010	Testing and Documentation	CF, DM, NV	1	1	0	2	+1	

4.1 Remarks

Remark Id	Description
REM1	Serious problems with recording functionality. Late but we now have two recorders.

5. Project Results

5.1 Requirements

5.1.1 Requirement Compliance Matrix

Identity	Requirement Description	completed	Rem
Recorder Application			
REC-1	Record video using phone's camera	Yes	
REC-2	Stream video to a remote server	Yes	
REC-3	Change the recording resolution	Yes	
REC-4	Receive feedback from server	Dropped	
Player Application			
PLY-1	Play video stream from remote server	Yes	
PLY-2	Check streaming support on the mobile device	Yes	
PLY-3	Send feedback to the server	Partially	REM1
PLY-4	Platform independent	Yes	
Studio Application			
STU-1	Receive at least 6 different streams at a time	Yes	
STU-2	Show all incoming streams	Yes	
STU-3	User can choose which stream to broadcast	Yes	
STU-4	Insert a commercial at any point in a stream	Yes	
STU-5	Send feedback from players to recorders	Dropped	

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Project-wide			
PWR-1	The delay introduced by the system should be less than 5 seconds	Yes	
PWR-2	The video streaming must be done through some existing mobile network, e.g., 3G	Yes	
PWR-3	The quality of the sound should not be compromised, the quality of the video can be lowered to match available system resources	Yes	REM2

Completed: Yes (completely implemented)

No (not implemented at all)

Partially (partially implemented, more description under Remarks subsection)

Unknown (completion status not known)

Dropped (requirement was dropped during the course of the project)

5.1.2 Requirements Compliance Summary

Total number of requirements	16
Number of requirements implemented	13
Requirements partially fulfilled	1
Requirements not fulfilled	0
Requirements dropped	2

5.1.3 Remarks

Remark Id	Description
REM1	Feedback exists on the players but isn't implemented in the Studio
REM2	DSS drops the video quality if necessary

5.2 Work Products and Deliverables

To	Output	Planned week	Promised week	Late +/-	Delivered week	Rem
Steering group	Project Description	40	40	0	40	
Steering group	Requirement Definition	40	40	0	40	
Steering group	Design Description	41	41	0	41	
Steering group	Revised Design Description (opt.)	43	43	0	43	
Steering group	Acceptance test plan	50	50	0	50	
Steering group	Final Project Report	2	2	0	2	
Steering group	Code and documentation	2	2	0	2	

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6. Project Experiences

6.1 Positive Experiences

The whole idea of working in a distributed project team is by itself a positive experience. This project has been, in particular, a challenging one. There are many reason for it, but a few most important will be shown here in this final report:

- using technologies in a way they weren't designed to be used – using VLC for stream switching and stream display in the studio application
- streaming a recorded video in real time from a mobile phone – very difficult and is again based on using the technology in a different way
- complicated formal specification of a standard such as: RTP, h263, AMR
- difficult testing of the system
- difficult developing because mobile phone development

Because of that, there are many conditions that have to be met in order for the project to be successful:

- constant communication with the customer
- needed technology to be available to the project team
- a lot of time for research – in particular, research for a way the problem can be solved
- detailed project specification – probably was impossible because no one knew how this could be done in the first place
- infrastructure needed for testing – Internet link

Although there were problems because of these things, the project was an extremely good experience. Each of us learned to develop on a new platform, learned new technologies, and became a better engineer by using the technologies in a different way that they were meant to be used.

Distributed development has also been a positive experience because we all learned how to work in a team of different individuals which we never met before. During the time we spent together we learned of each others' habits and strong sides.

6.2 Improvement Possibilities

The *LiveTV* project can be improved in lot of areas and this is also planned for further development of the project. This is just a basis for a better system:

1. Larger recording resolution support for Symbian version – it can record only in 176x144 resolution because of the format used and the mobile phone
2. Working AMR support for Android version – currently Android AMR recording has a lot of issues and doesn't record correctly. Solution may be to write encoder in the same way G711 is implemented.
3. Switch to MP4 and AAC for recording – this is a big improvement but extremely difficult.
4. Make the stream switching work better with both Symbian and Android interchanging.
5. Implement the feedback in the recorders and add the player feedback in the Studio application because it exists in the players.
6. Make the DSS support load balancing.
7. Implement the ability to make the sound quality better and video quality lower if the Internet connection is slow.
8. Implement the system for informing the viewers when the stream starts.
9. Work on the synchronization of various stream – make the recording process unified using the same timestamp for all the recorders.

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7. Financials

7.1 Project Cost Summary

Planned Cost	40960\$
Actual Cost	39680\$

7.2 Work per Member

Member	W40	W41	W42	W43	W44	W45	W46	W47	W48	W49	W50	W51	W52	W53	W1	W2	Total
DM	12	11	6	11	7	6	7	5	2	1	1	5	0	0	4.5	7.5	86
CF	8	6	3	12	11	13	8	15	4	6	5	5	0	0	4	8	108
AT	8	5	13	10	10	16	11	13	17	8	8	7.5	0	0	6	8.5	141
NMK	1	10	8	9.5	5	7.5	10	11.5	7	7.5	12	3	0	0	2	7	101
NV	8	7	5	4	9	14	11	12	10	10	13	8	4	4	5	14	137
DR	10.5	12	6	7	21	17	14.5	18	6	10	37	32	5	5	10	14	225
ŽR	8	7	5	8	14	19	21	16	18	8	26	8	5	8	13	10	194
Total	55.5	58	46	61.5	77	92.5	82.5	90.5	64	42.5	102	68.5	14	16	44.5	69	992

8. Metrics

8.1 Milestone Metrics

Completed as planned or earlier	Total	Timeliness
7	10	70%

8.2 Effort Metrics

Activity	Actual Effort	Planned Effort	Deviation (%)
Project preparations	46	40	+ 15%
Requirements analysis & definition	43	56	- 23.2%
Recorder app – video capture	116	72	+ 61.1%
Recorder app – network streaming	85	56	+ 51.7%
VLC server – setting up and config	52	64	- 18.8%
Player app – developing	79	64	+ 23.4%
C# application - GUI	68	72	- 5.6%
C# application - core	59	88	- 32.9%
System integration	103	104	- 0.9%
Recorder app – additional features	89	96	- 7.2%
Player app – additional features	72	96	- 25%
C# application – feature upgrade	42	96	- 56.3%
Testing	138	120	+ 15%
TOTAL	992	1024	- 3.2%

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Effort estimation accuracy (%) <i>(100*(1 - abs(Actual - Planned)/Actual))</i>	96.77%
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