



# Base Scenarios + moq

(Interactive Media and More)

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# What's been happening out there ?

Thread on identifiers for Tracks :

[https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/moq/u\\_BgKcaQ49wzI0frIC6rIUj61yg/](https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/moq/u_BgKcaQ49wzI0frIC6rIUj61yg/)

Thread on Identifiers in general:

<https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/moq/UqG0nPGOB3IZVzBaKox2MK9TeZY/>

Thread on object priorities vs delivery order and data model:

[https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/moq/u\\_BgKcaQ49wzI0frIC6rIUj61yg/](https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/moq/u_BgKcaQ49wzI0frIC6rIUj61yg/)

End to End encryption and object model thread:

<https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/moq/FzSZN7Ji7BdXTKj7pXsDzM2U538/>

Webtransport and Native QUIC Thread:

<https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/moq/2GWHpohGHAQ9caUdVWz8yJ-lvyI/>

Track Bundles related threads:

[https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/moq/KaFWG1aUF8rLVSAW\\_IPLg8g100/](https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/msg/moq/KaFWG1aUF8rLVSAW_IPLg8g100/)

Receiver Driven focus (linked to bundles) :

[https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/browse/moq/?index=u\\_BgKcaQ49wzI0frIC6rIUj61yg](https://mailarchive.ietf.org/arch/browse/moq/?index=u_BgKcaQ49wzI0frIC6rIUj61yg)

Issues/PR

Track Bundles and Track uniqueness Related:

<https://github.com/kixelated/warp-draft/issues/103>

<https://github.com/kixelated/warp-draft/issues/101>

Authz Subscribe/Publish

<https://github.com/kixelated/warp-draft/pull/96>

<https://github.com/kixelated/warp-draft/pull/97>

Updated Data Model and Relay Support

<https://github.com/kixelated/warp-draft/pull/95>

<https://github.com/kixelated/warp-draft/pull/69>

<https://github.com/kixelated/warp-draft/pull/67>

Priority and congestion response at Relays

<https://github.com/kixelated/warp-draft/pull/93>

# Scenario(1)

**Multiple Emitters -  
Multiple qualities**

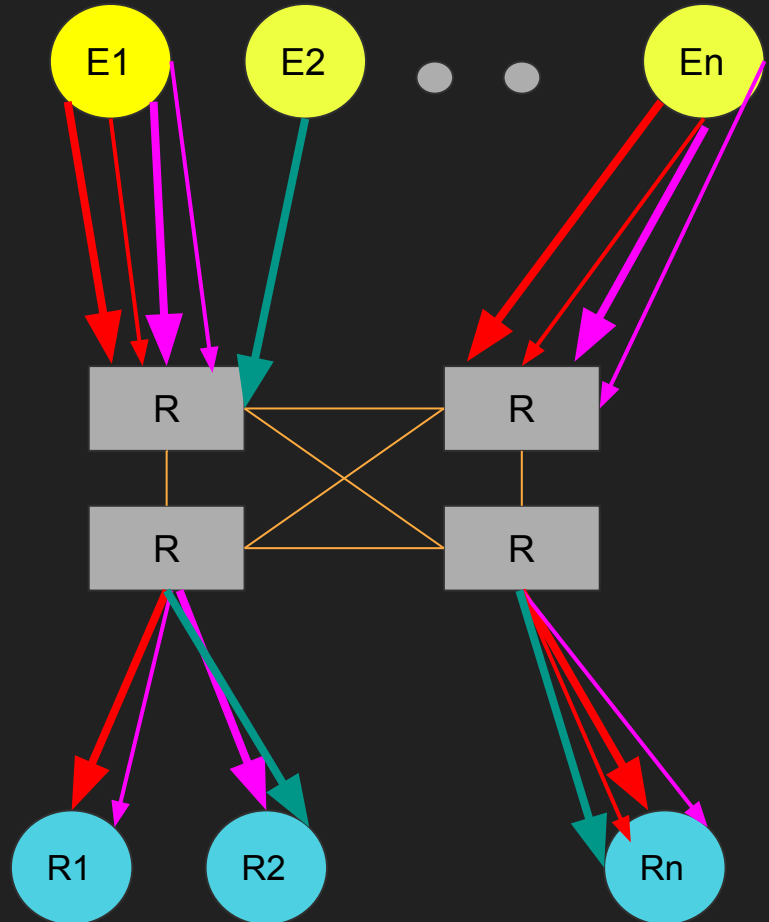
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**Relay Network - High Speed  
Fanouts to large number of  
receivers across differing  
network conditions**

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**Multiple Receivers -  
Various Capacities**

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# Scenario(1) - Requirements

- **Unified Ingest and Distribution System**
  - Track Identifiers are visible through the system - **Consensus is forming**
- **Multiple Emitters, Multiple Media Types, Multiple Qualities**
  - Tracks can be **dynamically** added and removed.
  - Emitters join and leave.
- **Media Switch**
  - Receives track bundles from multiple emitters.
  - Split bundles into individual tracks
  - May compose a new catalog - retain tracks, add new tracks (Active Speaker...)
  - Forward Preference Order needs to be coordinated uniformly across all the tracks
- **Relay Mesh**
  - Need flexibility Merge and Split Bundles across one or more QUIC connections
  - Need flexibility to pick and choose quality or respond to quality queries for tracks
  - Forward Preference Order needs to be coordinated uniformly across all the tracks
- **Multiple Receivers across different capacities and network conditions**
  - Receivers conditions changes dynamically - quick switch will be needed
  - Catalog received can represent original emitter tracks or virtual tracks

# Scenario(2)

**Emitter emit multiple tracks with identifiers**

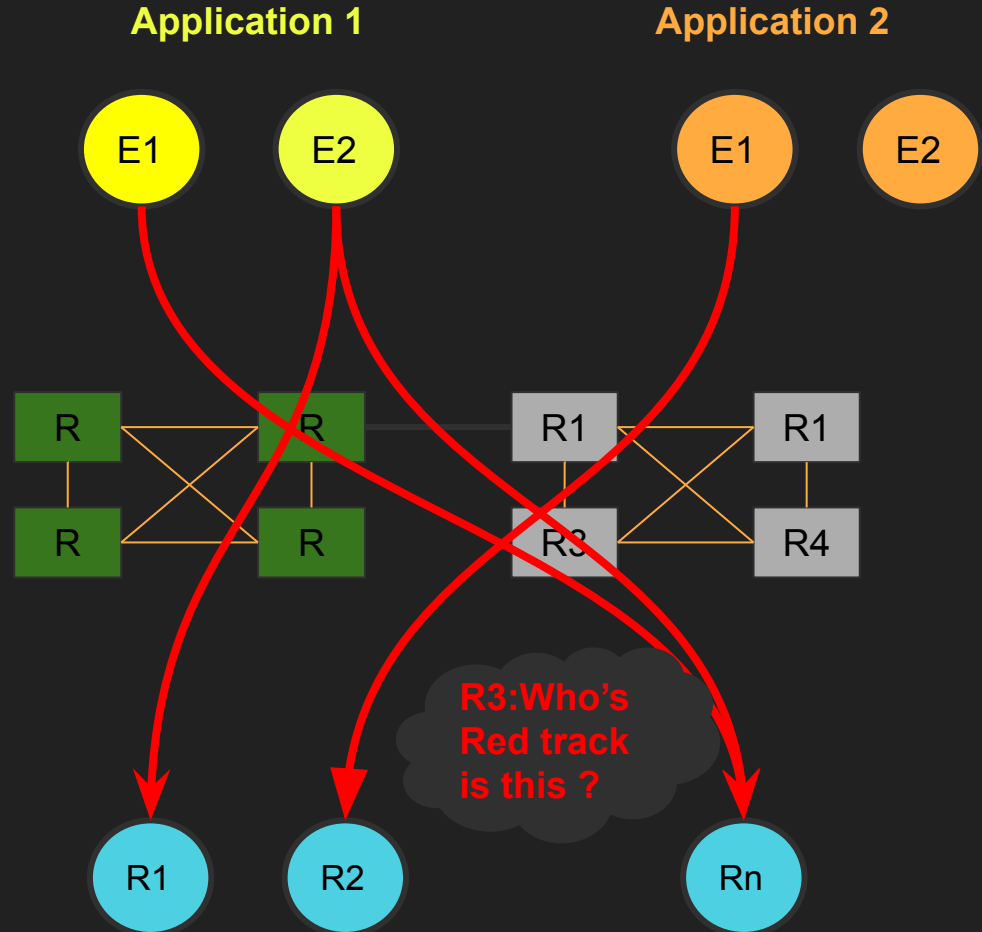
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**Relays publish and subscribe on track identifiers**

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**Receiver subscribe to tracks identifiers**

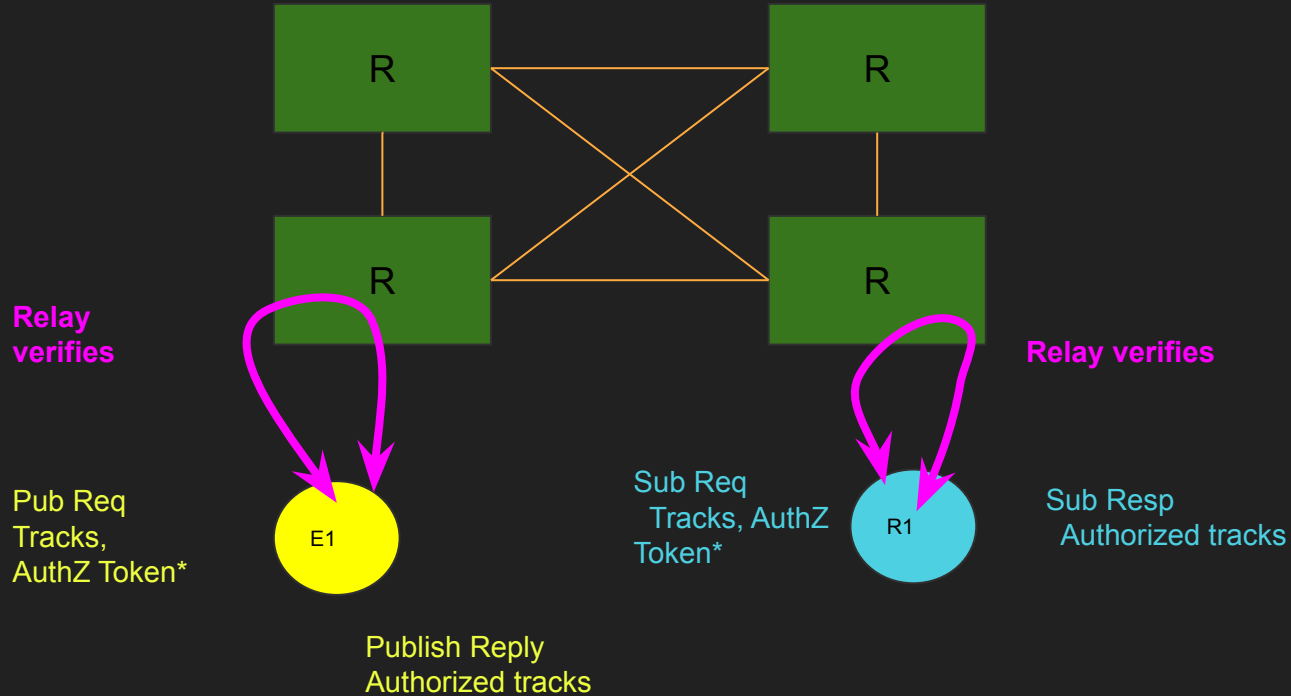
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# Scenario(2) - Requirements

- MoQ must support media flows **within and across** distribution networks
  - Unambiguous track identifiers
  - Uniform protocol behavior across hops
  
- Track must be **independently published to or subscribed from**
  - Should work over Native QUIC Session, without WebTransport Session ID
  - Object header need to carry shorter versions of Track to keep the sizes small

# Scenario(3)



# Scenario(3) Authorization Requirements

- **Emitters and Receivers need permissions to publish/receive on set of tracks**
  - Application provide a token to the emitters/receivers that can be verified by the applications and is tied to a given track namespace.
- **Relays are the policy enforcement points to participate in publishing or subscribing to tracks**
  - Catalogs are opaque to Relays
  - Relays need a way to know the authorized tracks (in publish/subscribe)



# Interactive Media, Layered Encoding

Large groups, large fan out

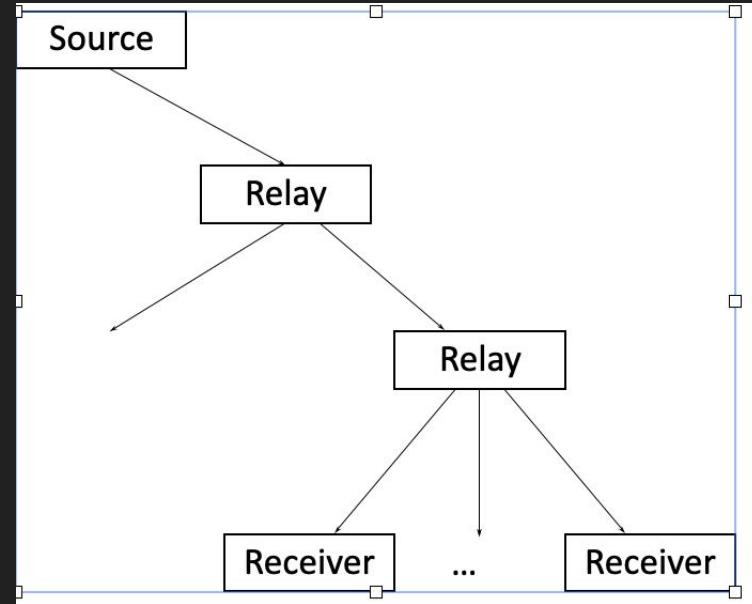
Different conditions at each receiver

Two solutions

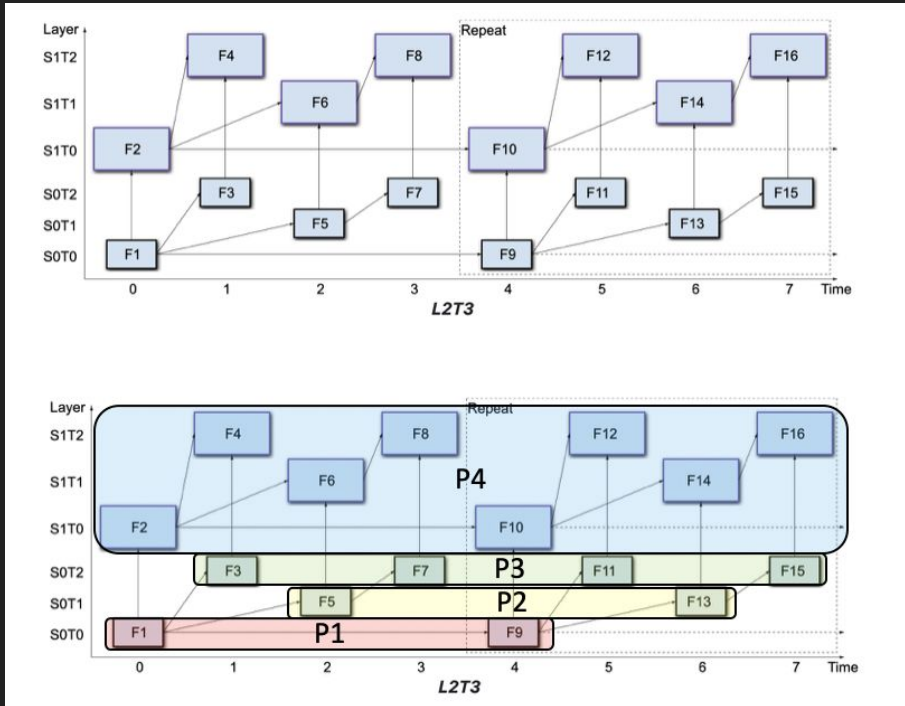
Adapt at client: unsubscribe track A,  
subscribe to track A' with different bitrate

Adapt at relay: use layered encoding, peel  
layers when client is slow

MoQ should (also) support “layered”  
(simulcast/svc)



# Layered Encoding → Object Number and Priority



- We need two variables per object:
  - Object number within a group (e.g., F1, F14, etc)
  - Priority level
- Priority requires a choice about what is most important
  - e.g. definition or frame rate
- Few “drop priority” levels required
  - Compatible with RFC 9114
- See scenario & transport drafts for details

← **Ex: Frame rate first grouping**

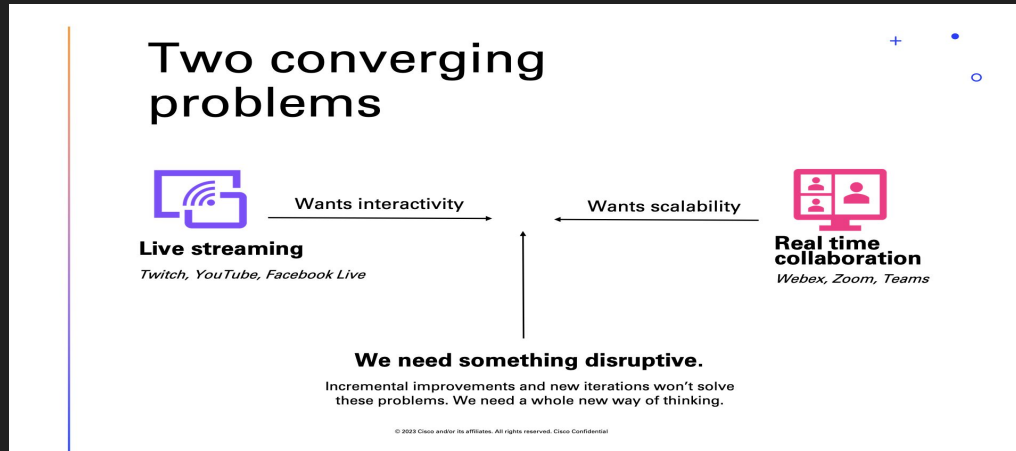
# Object Number + Priority → Scheduling

- In same group, **SEND** A before B if:
  - priority (A) < priority (B)
  - Or
    - priority (A) == priority (B)
    - And
    - Object number(A) < Object number (B)
- After group boundary
  - Consider dropping priorities of previous group streams, or resetting streams.
- Two plausible mappings
  - One stream per group and priority level
  - One stream per object.
    - Requires FIFO within one priority level
- If multiple tracks and coordinated priorities:
  - One stream per group + priority: use round robin between priority level
  - One stream per object: require FIFO within priority level, thus coordinated scheduling.

# Objects in MoQ

- Objects include **timed media** & can be one of these
  - Media Frame (output of encoder)
  - Media Slice ( part of a media frame, slice-based encoding)
  - Tile in Volumetric Media
  - Group of pictures
  - Deadline Aware Block
  - Game State & more
- Objects are **uniquely named** (scoped to a moqsession, track and group)
- Relays **cache individual objects** for serving subscriber queries (get game state object1234)
- Objects are **pipelined** through the relays
- Some applications will E2E encrypt the object with **AEAD ciphers**
- Object queries **MAY support byte-ranges\*** (as additional parameter byte-range=20-200)

# MoQTransport (moqt) Unified Media Delivery Protocol



# Highlights - 1

- MoQ delivers Tracks
  - Transform of uncompressed media, specific encoding and encryption process
  - Namespace & authorization scope for media data
  - Owned by a single MoQ Entity under a single provider domain
  - Has single encoding and encryption configuration
  - TrackID = Owing Provider Ref + Track Name (application specific)
- Publish Requests happen on tracks
- Subscribe happens on tracks (addition to group and object references)
- Does not need Relays to understand bundle.

# Highlights -2

- Control Streams/Messages
  - Sets up necessary authorization for group of tracks.
  - Manages life cycle for tracks ( one or more data streams).
- Data Streams (Unidirectional QUIC Streams or QUIC Datagrams) for carrying media
- Catalog is a special track at the Provider session
  - `Catalog TrackID :=<provider-domain>/<moq-session-id>/catalog`

# Objects Priorities

- Publishers mark objects with sequence numbers within groups and priority values.
- Standard QUIC features with API aligned with HTTP priorities
- **“Droppable”** Flag - Should relays drop or queue under congestion
- **“Priority”** value - Relative priority of object vs other objects in the same track or across tracks in a connection
- Drop Priority through QUIC Stack
  - One object per stream → Stream Priority == Object Priority
  - 1+ objects per stream → 1 Stream per group and priority level (== Stream Priority)



## Objects Priorities (2)

Drop Priority through active scheduling (via application enforcement)

Under Congestion,

- Drop delay/drop higher priority level ( until the end of the group)
- Continue to the next higher priority level, until congestion eases
- Carry the drop level through the track

# Summary - Asks for warp-05

1. Tracks as independent components
  - 1.1 Revisit track naming considerations
  - 1.2 Control Streams/Messages mapped to Subscribe/Publish of tracks
  - 1.3 Authorization is scoped to tracks (may be derived via other means if enabled by the transport usage, say, WT)
  - 1.4 Applications can choose to group(bundle) them, if needed.
2. Flexibility to support bundle and non-bundling as prioritization constructs
3. Base transport to not define how a forwarding preference is set, but explain how it can be used
4. Allow Objects be independently named, cached & queried.
5. Support for WT and Native QUIC usage
6. Support for
  - 6.1 Forwarding Preference needs to work uniformly across all objects inside a connection.
  - 6.2 Certain encodings of “Forwarding Preference” can include info on track groups.

# Backup

