

RTSP 2.0 NAT Traversal

draft-ietf-mmusic-rtsp-nat-05

draft-ietf-mmusic-rtsp-nat-evaluation-00

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One become Two

- The draft-ietf-mmusic-rtsp-nat-04 has been split into two draft:
 - RTSP-NAT-05 draft that intends to contain the solution for the NAT traversal of media flows for RTSP
 - RTSP-NAT-evaluation contains the analysis of different solutions that was discussed in the WG when selecting solution

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- Currently this draft only contains an outline of the ICE solution
- An empty shell that needs to be filled out
- Hope to be able to flesh out the solution before Vancouver

draft-ietf-mmusic-rtsp-nat- evaluation-00

- This is primarily a problem description and analysis of different solutions that has been brought up to solve the issue.
- The problem is the NAT traversal of the media stream from RTSP server to client
- Does not look at NAT traversal for the signalling stream

Improvements

- Intends to update the text to address:
 - Summary of capabilities to handle use cases with both RTSP server and client behind NATs
 - Symmetric RTP is similar to ICE-Lite and need to check if we missed any arguments from there.
 - Editorial comments

Selection of Solution

- The WG consensus is to go with ICE
- On the mailing list it was raised that we should go for something simpler:
 - The argument boils down to that there are no need to support servers behind NATs
 - The main motivation for that is that we are not looking at how the RTSP signalling can reach a server behind a NAT
- To me there appear to exist solutions with limited applicability for signalling support:
 - Static forwarding rules in NAT
 - Using STUN/uPnP/MIDCOM/NSIS NAT&W + Dynamic DNS SRV records

Going Forward

- Would prefer to not have any changes of the consensus decision, however:
 - Having fleshed out the ICE solution will allow for analyzing the cost better
 - Cost is weighted against functionality
 - Try to avoid short sightness