

P2P Live Streaming for the masses – Deployment and Results

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Background and discussions points

- RayV deployed system
- The content owners' wish list
- How does P2P live streaming improve viewing quality
- Scale and the upload problem
- P2P live streaming deployment costs
- Content Owners and Operators - Rules

P2P live streaming for content owners

Analysis based on a system using a hybrid P2P and own CDN with:

- 3 million downloads
- On average 300,000 connected clients
- 70,000 concurrent viewers at peak

Watching habits results (“just like TV”):

- Overall: 31 minutes/day
- Sports: 36.7 minutes a session, 98 minutes a day
- News: 12 minutes a session
- Music: 5 minutes a session

Content owners requirements

➤ **Quality and bit-rate (*does P2P streaming help here???*)**

- 300Kbps (for UGC channels and specific limitations)
- 500-800Kbps for news/music channels
- 800-1.5Mbps for sports.
- 2.5Mbps to 6Mbps for upcoming TV-like experience

➤ **Delay (*can this be achieved with P2P streaming???*)**

- Broadcaster to viewers up to 10 seconds
- Simultaneous viewing up to 2 seconds

Is this possible with P2P streaming???

➤ **Low cost streaming (*how much P2P streaming saves???*)**

- Advertising model
- Subscription model

How much P2P streaming saves???

➤ **Scale of concurrent viewers (*does P2P scale better???*)**

- Misconception of scale
- Global distribution

Does P2P help here???

➤ **Rules (*P2P limitations*)**

- Content owners
- ,Operators
- Legal

Network quality and geo-localization needs

Result analysis by:

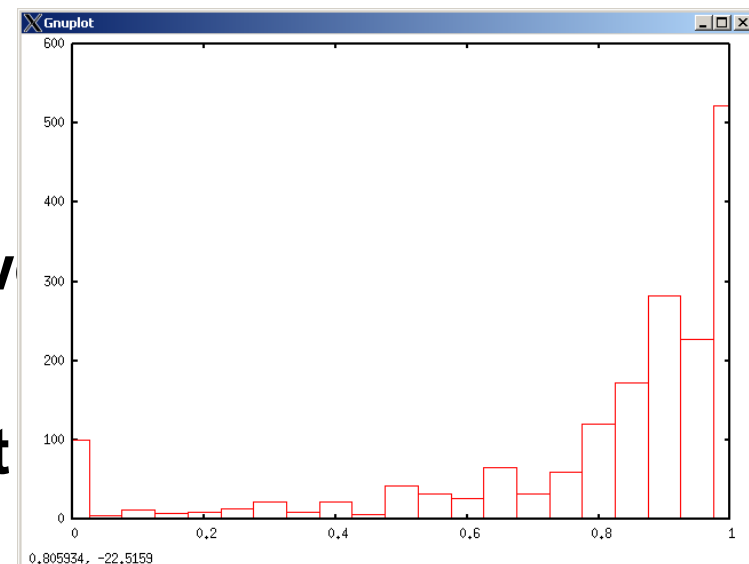
- Viewing quality averages by country
- Viewing quality deviation graph

The results are based on a system using a TCP congestion control over UDP (SCTP) no retransmission on higher level. Buffer of 5 seconds in both cases. No P2P system still uses more than one reliable source.

Deviation results:

When 0% p2p we see many view around 0.85-0.90.

With 70% p2p the graph on right



Network quality and geo-localization needs

No P2P = Avg 86.5%

0: 'Philippines'	65.30%
1: 'Brazil'	67.24%
2: 'Israel'	73.42%
3: 'Russian Federation'	76.15%
4: 'Japan'	76.38%
5: 'Australia'	80.23%
6: 'Mexico'	80.88%
7: 'None'	81.72%
8: 'United Kingdom'	84.57%
9: 'Spain'	89.15%
0: 'Korea'	91.87%
11: 'Italy'	93.51%
12: 'Norway'	95.12%
13: 'Germany'	95.87%
14: 'Denmark'	97.11%
15: 'Sweden'	97.34%
16: 'France'	99.10%
17: 'Finland'	99.30%

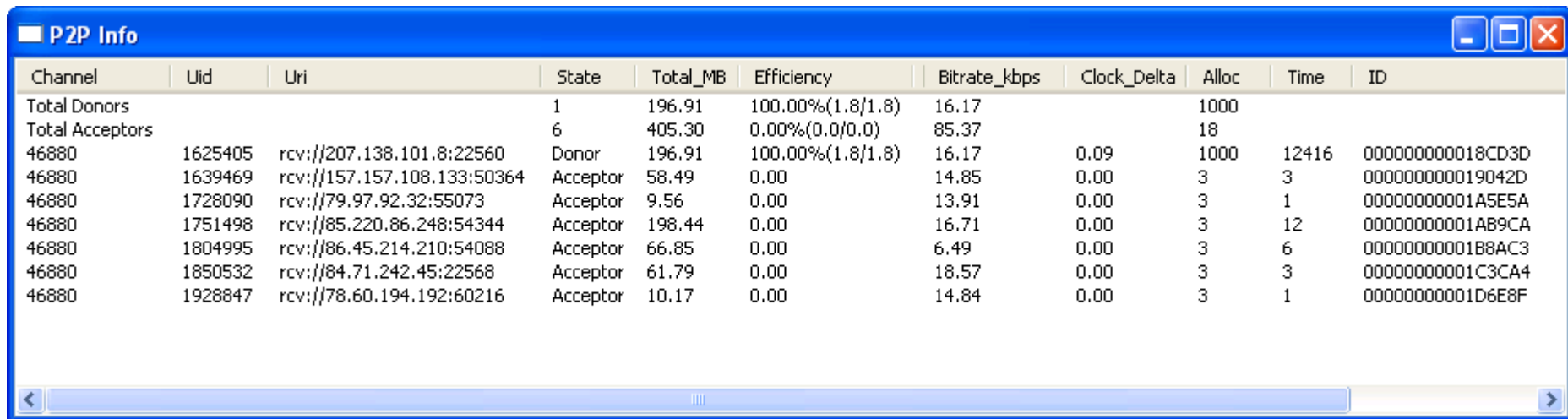
75% P2P = Avg 98.8%

0: 'Thailand'	18.31%
1: 'Guatemala'	84.43%
2: 'None'	87.50%
3: 'Netherlands'	91.58%
4: 'Mexico'	91.89%
5: 'Estonia'	93.62%
6: 'Israel'	94.50%
7: 'Portugal'	94.90%
8: 'Switzerland'	95.05%
9: 'Australia'	96.09%
0: 'Costa Rica'	96.34%
11: 'New Zealand'	96.49%
12: 'Brazil'	96.65%
13: 'United Arab Emirates'	96.99%
14: 'Greece'	97.04%
15: 'Colombia'	97.27%
16: 'United Kingdom'	97.90%
17: 'Romania'	98.05%
18: 'Denmark'	98.20%
19: 'Austria'	98.38%
20: 'Norway'	98.43%
21: 'Japan'	98.45%
22: 'Germany'	98.46%

23: 'Georgia'	98.55%
24: 'United States'	98.57%
25: 'Croatia'	98.91%
26: 'Luxembourg'	98.98%
27: 'Singapore'	98.99%
28: 'Ireland'	99.06%
29: 'Russian Federation'	99.16%
30: 'Korea'	99.41%
31: 'Spain'	99.41%
32: 'Sweden'	99.52%
33: 'Iceland'	99.58%
34: 'Serbia'	99.63%
35: 'Czech Republic'	99.66%
36: 'Hungary'	99.73%
37: 'France'	99.76%
38: 'Slovakia'	99.77%
39: 'Poland'	99.83%
40: 'Slovenia'	100.00%
41: 'Chile'	100.00%
42: 'Belgium'	100.00%
43: 'Finland'	100.00%
44: 'Macedonia'	100.00%

Delay and the question of upload

- Average upload from user – 180Kbps
- Consequence – no ability to reach high P2P ratio without having many non viewers Average upload from user – 180Kbps



The screenshot shows a window titled "P2P Info" with a table of channel statistics. The table has columns for Channel, Uid, Uri, State, Total_MB, Efficiency, Bitrate_kbps, Clock_Delta, Alloc, Time, and ID. The data is as follows:

Channel	Uid	Uri	State	Total_MB	Efficiency	Bitrate_kbps	Clock_Delta	Alloc	Time	ID
Total Donors			1	196.91	100.00%(1.8/1.8)	16.17		1000		
Total Acceptors			6	405.30	0.00%(0.0/0.0)	85.37		18		
46880	1625405	rcv://207.138.101.8:22560	Donor	196.91	100.00%(1.8/1.8)	16.17	0.09	1000	12416	000000000018CD3D
46880	1639469	rcv://157.157.108.133:50364	Acceptor	58.49	0.00	14.85	0.00	3	3	000000000019042D
46880	1728090	rcv://79.97.92.32:55073	Acceptor	9.56	0.00	13.91	0.00	3	1	00000000001A5E5A
46880	1751498	rcv://85.220.86.248:54344	Acceptor	198.44	0.00	16.71	0.00	3	12	00000000001AB9CA
46880	1804995	rcv://86.45.214.210:54088	Acceptor	66.85	0.00	6.49	0.00	3	6	00000000001B8AC3
46880	1850532	rcv://84.71.242.45:22568	Acceptor	61.79	0.00	18.57	0.00	3	3	00000000001C3CA4
46880	1928847	rcv://78.60.194.192:60216	Acceptor	10.17	0.00	14.84	0.00	3	1	00000000001D6E8F

- Two ways:
 - Taking from the few
 - Using all
- Towards a push/pull protocol to save upload
- PET and Network Coding

Deploying a P2P system costs

- **From multiple POPs to only a few**
 - P2P decreases the need for multiple machines within ISPs in Geo-location
 - P2P helps in scalability within enterprises, universities, etc
- **Costs of streamers – a \$3000 machine can support up to 5000 concurrent viewers.**
- **Costs of additional POP: location, electricity, men-power**
- **Bandwidth Cost – down to \$8 per Mbps in EU and Us, but up to \$100 per Mbps in South America, Australia, several countries in south-east Asia**
- **Analysis shoes that overall the cost with 85% P2P is going to be around \$0.6-\$0.85 per concurrent viewer per month per 1Mbps quality video.**

Rules

- **Content owners rules:**

- Preventing 'their' viewers from contributing to different types of content

- **Operators/ISP rules:**

- Our viewers contribute only to our channels
- Our viewers contribute only at certain hours
- Caching
- Reverse Caching

- **Legal rules**

- Taxes between countries for PPV content?

- **Technically implied rules:**

- Closed territories (china)