HTTP Random access and live content (status update)

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WG draft

- Review requested at IETF 98
 - No specific concerns/comments received

- Working on testing the "protocol"
 - Main focus on checking "intermediary" behavior

Test framework

- Creating a "continuous" live video stream
- Hosted thru a
 - CDN
 - Caching proxy

- Custom client that issues the "live" byte range requests
- Test
 - that the implementation works as expected
 - Intermediaries (cdn, cache) work as expected
- Send out observations/results

Next steps

Any feedback/questions?

- Issue LC?
 - Keep it open till we finish the testing

Background slides

How it works

Client uses Range semantics to determine accessible bytes

Indicates representation length unknown

REQUEST RESPONSE

HEAD /my_resource HTTP/1.1 HTTP/1.1 206 Partial Content

Range: bytes=0- Content-Range: bytes 0-99408383/*

Content-Length: 99398384

• Client attempts to "discover" live random access support

Provides "large number" to indicate live random access

RESPON

Supporting server "echoes" back same "large number"

REQUEST

GET /my_resource HTTP/1.1

HTTP/1.1 206 Partial Content

Range: bytes=99400000-9223372036854775Content-Range: bytes 99400000-9223372036854775/*

Transfer-Encoding: chunked

"backward" compatibility

"non supporting" server will respond as per RFC7233

Provides "large number" to indicate live random access

RESPON

Non-supporting server sends back what it can support

REQUEST

GET /my_resource HTTP/1.1

HTTP/1.1 206 Partial Content

Range: bytes=99400000-9223372036854775Content-Range: bytes 99400000-99634867/*

Transfer-Encoding: chunked