

# The platform for interoperable WebRTC

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# Evolution on the web



*Sir Tim Berners-Lee creates HTML. Web-pages are static*



*W3C produces the DOM1 specification*



*WebSocket and WebRTC implementations become available*

1990

1996

1998

2004

2011

*Microsoft and Netscape introduce different mechanisms for DHTML*



*Google uses Ajax in Gmail (W3C releases 1st draft in 2006) – the dawn of web-apps*

# Revolution in telecoms

## The revolution



*Before today the operators (big and small) had full control over real-time communications because it was hard to do and substantial infrastructure investment was required.*

*Claude Chappe invented the optical telegraph*



*Alexander Graham Bell patents the telephone*



*From the 1960s onwards digital exchanges start to appear*

*From the 1990s onwards voice started to be carried on technologies developed for data networks such as ATM and IP*

1792

1837

1876

1919

1960s >

1990s >

2011

*WebSocket and WebRTC implementations become available*



*First commercial electrical telegraph created by Cooke and Wheatstone*



*Rotary dial enters service*



*1963: DTMF enters service*

# RTCWeb

*There are a number of proprietary implementations that provide direct interactive rich communication using audio, video, collaboration, games, etc. between two peers' web-browsers. These are not interoperable, as they require non-standard extensions or plugins to work. There is a desire to standardize the basis for such communication so that interoperable communication can be established between any compatible browsers.*

Real-Time Communication in WEB-Browsers (rtcweb) 2013-03-13 charter

# WebRTC

*The mission of the Web Real-Time Communications Working Group, part of the Ubiquitous Web Applications Activity, is to define client-side APIs to enable Real-Time Communications in Web browsers.*

*These APIs should enable building applications that can be run inside a browser, requiring no extra downloads or plugins, that allow communication between parties using audio, video and supplementary real-time communication, without having to use intervening servers (unless needed for firewall traversal, or for providing intermediary services).*

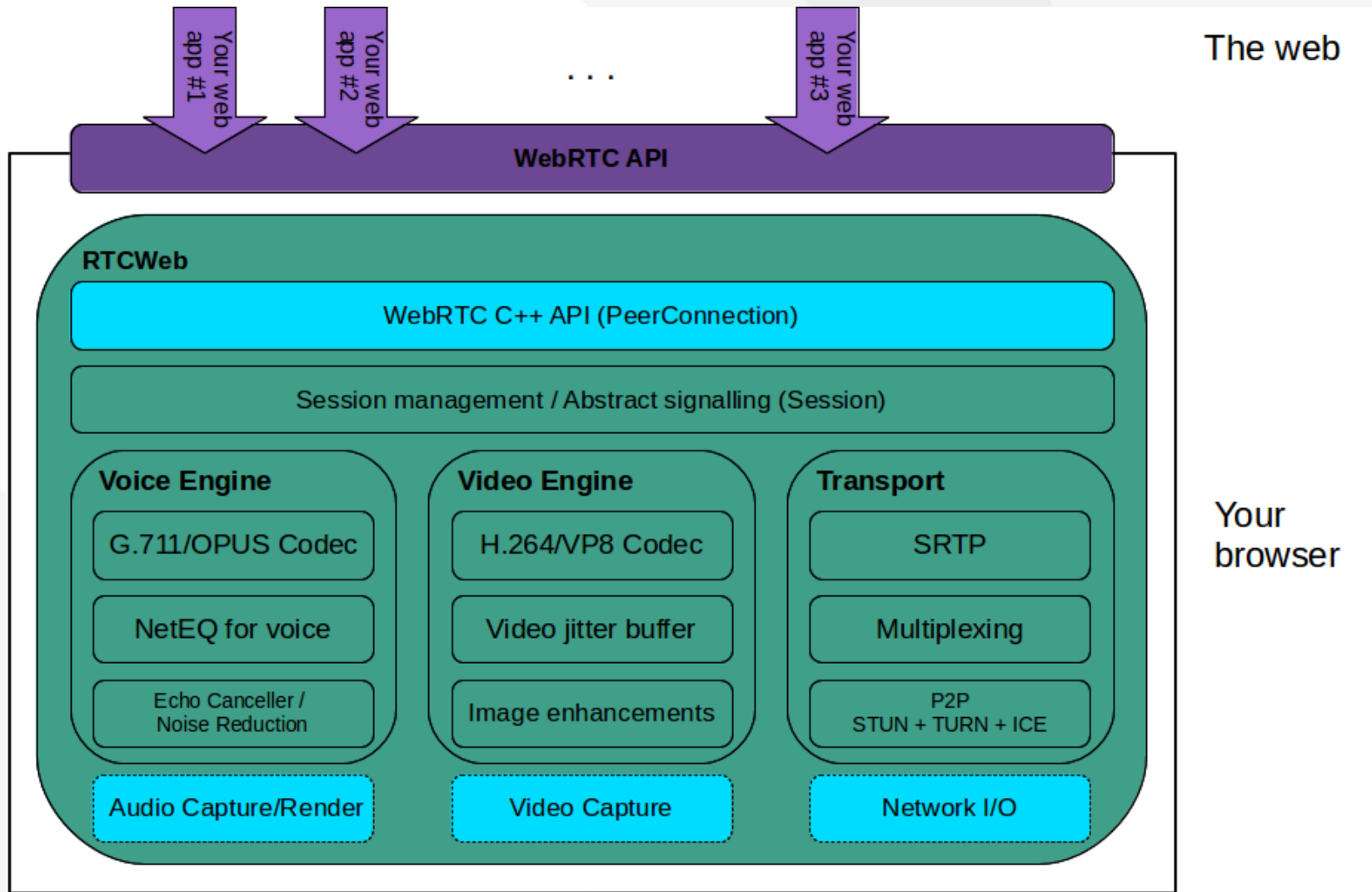
Web Real-Time Communications Working  
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# RTCWeb and WebRTC: not the same thing

- RTCWeb is the on-the-wire protocol as defined by the IETF and may be used in many applications and systems
  - Within VoIP phones
  - On network servers
  - Includes MTI codecs for audio and video
- WebRTC is the browser API as defined by the IETF



# RTCWeb/WebRTC Architecture



Based on the diagram from <http://www.webrtc.org/reference/architecture>

# Signalling not included

- Google made a controversial (but very wise) decision not to specify how the signalling should work
- Signalling is required
  - To discover who to communicate with
  - To exchange information on what the communication should be (audio, data, video, and codecs)
- Even the simplest, proprietary, RESTful exchange is signalling

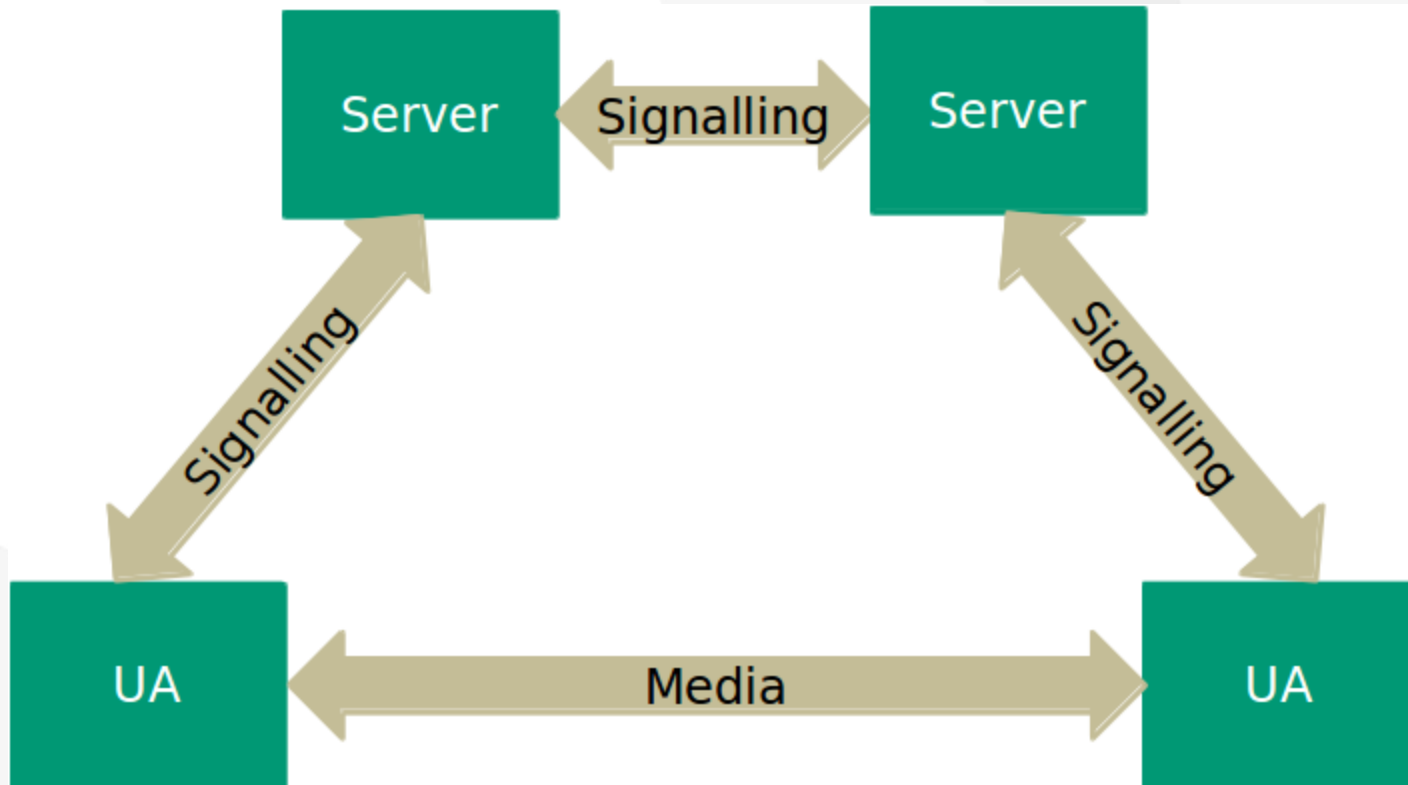


# Interoperability is sometimes required

- These use-cases are typically ones where the point of the application is communication
- For example:
  - Conferencing – calls in and out of legacy networks are required
  - Call Centres – calls in and out of legacy networks are required
  - Virtual PBX – calls in and out of legacy networks are required



# The signalling trapezoid



# Signalling options

- Open standards are usually best
  - SIP over WebSocket, <http://tools.ietf.org/html/rfc7118>
  - XMPP over WebSocket, <http://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-moffitt-xmpp-over-websocket>
  - OpenPeer, <http://openpeer.org/>
- The WebRTC API is easy but signalling is often hard
  - There are many open-source libraries that do the signalling
  - The library APIs vary in complexity to meet every need
  - Hosted infrastructure lets you add real-time communications to your website without having to build a network yourself



# HOWTO: Kamailio as a SIP over WebSocket server

- Download, build, and install Kamailio 4.1
- Create a kamailio.cfg file based on the following code snippets

<http://www.kamailio.org/>



# Handling WebSocket handshakes in Kamailio

```
...
tcp_accept_no_cl=yes
...
event_route[xhttp:request] {
    set_reply_close();
    set_reply_no_connect();

    if ($hdr(Upgrade)=~"websocket"
        && $hdr(Connection)=~"Upgrade"
        && $rm=~"GET") {

        # Validate as required (Host:, Origin:, Cookie:)

        if (ws_handle_handshake())
            exit;
    }

    xhttp_reply("404", "Not Found", "", "");
}
```

# WebSocket connections are always behind a NAT

- Javascript applications cannot see the real IP address and port for the WebSocket connection
- This means that the SIP server cannot trust addresses and ports in SIP messages received over WebSockets
- nathelper and/or outbound can be used to solve this problem



## Using nathelper on SIP over WebSocket requests

```
modparam("nathelper|registrar", "received_avp", "$avp(RECEIVED)")
...
request_route {
    route(REQINIT);
    route(WSDetect);
    ...
route[WSDetect] {
    if (proto == WS || proto == WSS) {
        force_rport();
        if (is_method("REGISTER")) {
            fix_nated_register();
        } else if (is_method("INVITE|NOTIFY|SUBSCRIBE")) {
            add_contact_alias();
        }
    }
}
...
route[WITHINDLG] {
    if (has_totag()) {
        if (loose_route()) {
            if (!isdsturiset()) {
                handle_ruri_alias();
            }
            ...
        }
    }
}
```



# Using nathelper on SIP over WebSocket responses

```
onreply_route {  
    if ((proto == WS || proto == WSS) && status =~ "[12][0-9][0-9]") {  
        add_contact_alias();  
    }  
}
```



# WebSocket connections are always behind a NAT

- Use mediaproxy-ng from SIPWise

<https://github.com/sipwise/mediaproxy-ng>

- Companion Kamailio module: rtpproxy-ng

<http://kamailio.org/docs/modules/stable/modules/rtpproxy-ng.html>

- SIP Signalling is proxied instead of B2BUA'd (that is, not broken)

# Catch 488 to invoke mediaproxy-ng

```
modparam("rtpproxy-ng", "rtpproxy_sock", "udp:localhost:22223")
...
route[LOCATION] {
    ...
    t_on_failure("UA_FAILURE");
}
...
failure_route[UA_FAILURE] {
    if (t_check_status("488") && sdp_content()) {
        if (sdp_get_line_startswith("$avp(mline)", "m=")) {
            if ($avp(mline) =~ "SAVPF")) {
                $avp(rtpproxy_offer_flags) = "froc-sp";
                $avp(rtpproxy_answer_flags) = "froc+SP";
            } else {
                $avp(rtpproxy_offer_flags) = "froc+SP";
                $avp(rtpproxy_answer_flags) = "froc-sp";
            }
            # In a production system you probably need to catch
            # "RTP/SAVP" and "RTP/AVPF" and handle them correctly
            # too
        }
        append_branch();
        rtpproxy_offer($avp(rtpproxy_offer_flags));
        t_on_reply("RTPPROXY_REPLY");
        route(RELAY);
    }
}
...
```

# Handle replies to the retried INVITE

```
modparam("rtpproxy-ng", "rtpproxy_sock", "udp:localhost:22223")
...
failure_route[UA_FAILURE] {
    ...
    t_on_reply("RTPPROXY_REPLY");
    route(RELAY);
}

onreply_route[RTPPROXY_REPLY] {
    if (status =~ "18[03]") {
        # mediaproxy-ng only supports SRTP/SDS - early media
        # won't work so strip it out now to avoid problems
        change_reply_status(180, "Ringing");
        remove_body();
    } else if (status =~ "2[0-9][0-9]" && sdp_content()) {
        rtpproxy_answer($avp(rtpproxy_answer_flags));
    }
}
...
```

# Current mediaproxy-ng limitations

- No support for SRTP/DTLS
  - SRTP/DTLS is a MUST for WebRTC and SRTP/SDS is a MUST NOT
  - mediaproxy-ng works with Google Chrome today (but Google will be removing SRTP/SDS over the next year)
  - mediaproxy-ng does not work with Firefox at this time
- Does not support “bundling”/“unbundling”
  - WebRTC can “bundle” audio and video streams together, but mediaproxy-ng does not support this yet
  - Google Chrome does not currently support “unbundling”
  - You can have an audio stream, or a video stream, but not an audio and video stream at this time

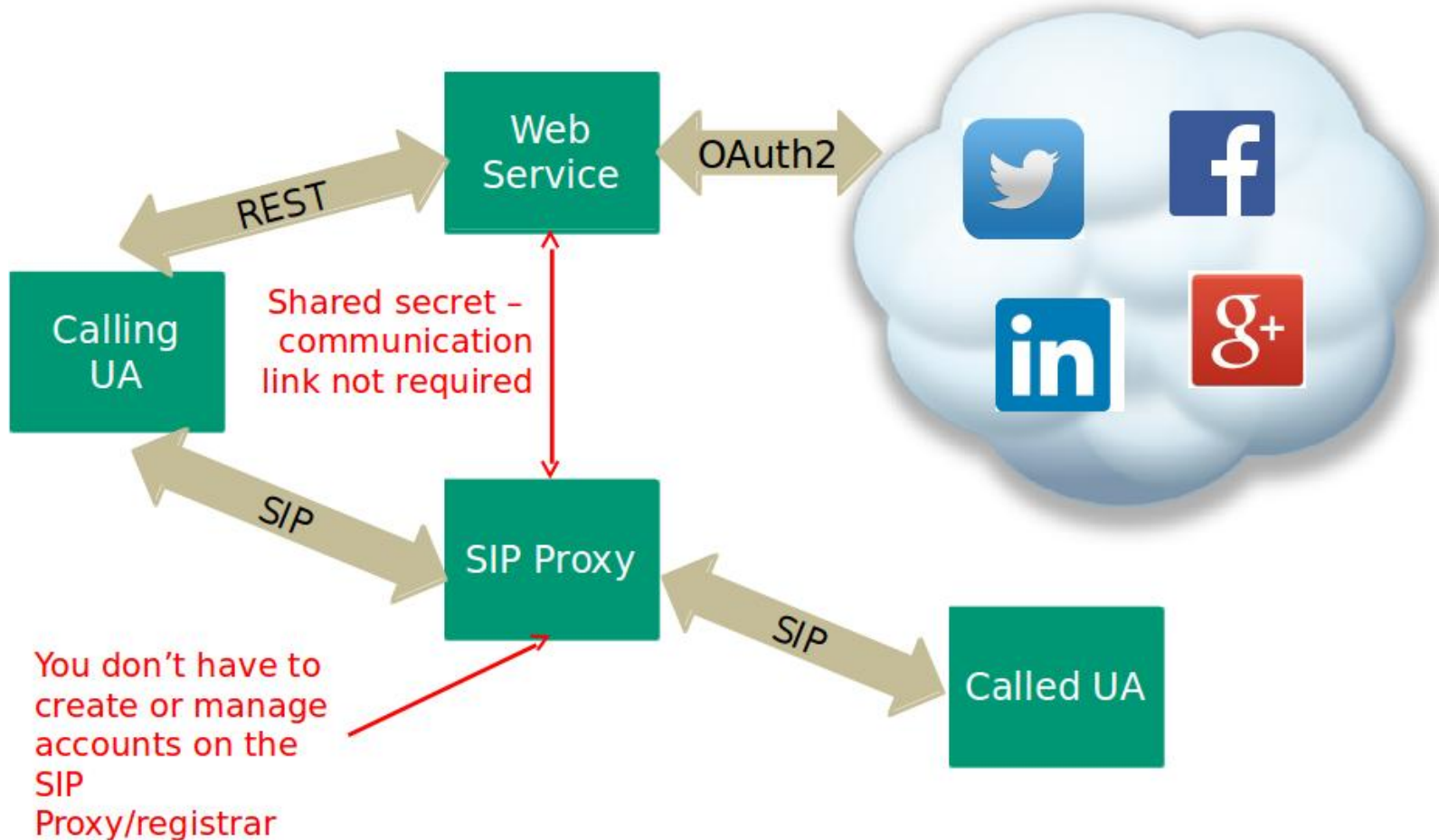
***RTPEngine is coming***

# HOWTO: Authenticate SIP using a web-service

- No communication required between authentication server and Kamailio
- Credentials expire (the expiry time is chosen by the authentication server)
- Extract username and password from the “GET” used for HTTP handshake and authenticate there, or
- Use the credentials for digest authentication of SIP requests
- Check the From-URI or To-URI in SIP headers match the user part of the credential

[http://kamailio.org/docs/modules/stable/modules/auth\\_ephemeral.html](http://kamailio.org/docs/modules/stable/modules/auth_ephemeral.html)

# Ephemeral Authentication





# Authenticating the handshake

```
...
tcp_accept_no_cl=yes
...
modparam("auth_ephemeral", "secret", "kamailio_rules")
...
modparam("htable", "htable", "wsconn=>size=8;")
...
event_route[xhttp:request] {
    ...
    # URI format is /?username=foo&password=bar
    $var(uri_params) = $(hu{url.querystring});
    $var(username) = $(var(uri_params){param.name,username,&});
    $var(password) = $(var(uri_params){param.name,password,&});
    # Note: username and password could also have been in a Cookie: header

    if (!autheph_authenticate("$var(username)", "$var(password)")) {
        xhttp_reply("403", "Forbidden", "", "");
        exit;
    }

    if (ws_handle_handshake()) {
        $sht(wsconn=>$si:$sp::username) = $var(username)
        exit;
    }

    ...
event_route[websocket:closed] {
    $var(regex) = $si + ":" $sp + ".*";
    sht_rm_name_re("wsconn=>$var(regex)");
}
}
```



# Checking SIP requests

```
...
request_route {
    route(REQINIT);
    route(WSDetect);
    ...
    if (!(proto == WS || proto == WSS))
        route(AUTH);
    ...
route[WSDetect] {
    if (proto == WS || proto == WSS) {
        $var(username) = (str) $sht(wsconn=>$si:$sp::username);
        if ($var(username) == $null || $var(username) == "") {
            send_reply("403", "Forbidden");
            ws_close(1008, "Policy Violation");
            exit;
        }

        if (!autheph_check_timestamp("$var(username)")
            || (is_method("REGISTER|PUBLISH")
                && !autheph_check_to("$var(username)"))
            || (!has_totag() && !autheph_check_from("$var(username)"))) {
            send_reply("403", "Forbidden");
            ws_close(1008, "Policy Violation");
            exit;
        }
    }

    force_rport();
    ...
}
```





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