

Fluster

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```
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$ gst-discoverer-1.0 AUD_MW_E.264
Analyzing file:///home/fluendo/Videos/AUD_MW_E.264
Done discovering
file:///home/fluendo/Videos/AUD_MW_E.264

Properties:
  Duration: 0:00:00.000000000
  Seekable: yes
  Live: no
  Video #0: H.264 (Constrained Baseline Profile)
  Stream ID:
92ec0aada08d35b7679f87a98465b4cf955fbad11d2c8535ec
ad7e8568ac4a3a
  Width: 176
  Height: 144
  Depth: 24
  Frame rate: 0/1
  Pixel aspect ratio: 1/1
  Interlaced: false
  Bitrate: 0
  Max bitrate: 0
```

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Intro

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What is fluster?

- Conformance test tool for multimedia decoders
- Open-source
- Multi-platform
- Modular code architecture
 - Object-oriented design
- Easy-to-digest and lightweight
 - Python (3.6+)
 - No external dependencies

| Why fluster?

- Why conformance testing?
 - Decoder behaviour defined by corresponding standard
 - Reference test suites provided by owning bodies (ITU, Fraunhofer)
- Identified need: Conformance test integration in CI workflow
 - Establish conformance level of our decoders
 - Detect regressions fast
- Identified gap: lack of offer of similar tools in open source community
 - ... so the journey began back in 2020

Tool statistics

Codec	# of decoder implementations	# of test suites	# of test vectors
AAC	2	2	73
AV1	9	3	275
H.264	24	2	204
H.265	27	4	220
H.266	1	1	282
VP8	14	1	61
VP9	15	2	311
Total	92	15	1426

Linux community adoption

- Linux kernel for ARM: H.265 GStreamer decoder conformance
 - <https://www.spinics.net/lists/arm-kernel/msg876595.html>
- Linux kernel: VP9 decoder conformance
 - <https://lkml.iu.edu/hypermail/linux/kernel/2109.1/07229.html>
- Debian package (testing stage)
 - <https://tracker.debian.org/pkg/fluster>

| Github project info

License	Contributors	Commits	Active forks
LGPL-3.0	21	379	24

From:



Demo

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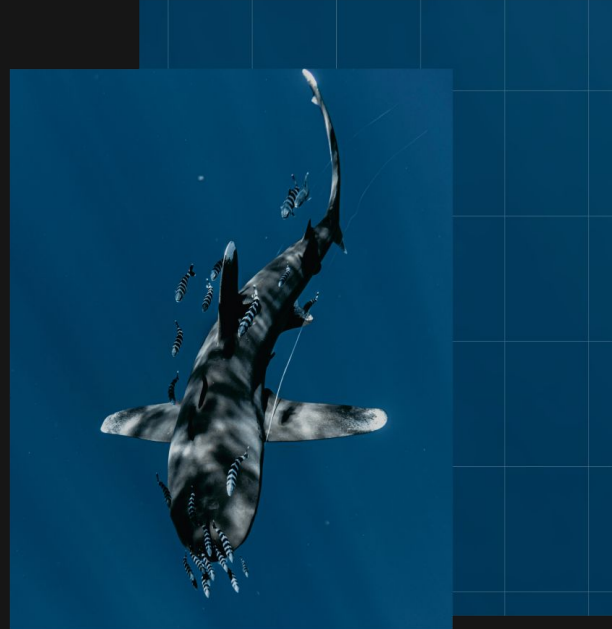
DEMO

Demo

<https://github.com/fluendo/fluster/blob/gstconf2023/gst-conf.demo.out>

Tool extension

Decoder | Test suite



Decoder class abstraction level 1

```
class Decoder(ABC):
    """Base class for decoders"""
    name = ""
    codec = Codec.NONE
    hw_acceleration = False
    description = ""
    binary = ""

    ...

    @abstractmethod
    def decode(...)

    ...

    def register_decoder(cls: Type[Decoder]) -> Type[Decoder]:
        """Register a new decoder implementation"""
```

GStreamer-based decoder creation

```
@register_decoder
class GStreamerD3d12H265Gst10Decoder(GStreamer10Video):
    "GStreamer H.265 D3D12 decoder implementation for GStreamer 1.0"
    codec = Codec.H265
    decoder_bin = 'h265parse ! d3d12h265dec '
    api = 'D3D12'
    hw_acceleration = True
```

FFmpeg-based decoder creation

```
@register_decoder
class FFmpegVP8VaapiDecoder(FFmpegVaapiDecoder):
    "FFmpeg VAAPI decoder for VP8"
    codec = Codec.VP8

...

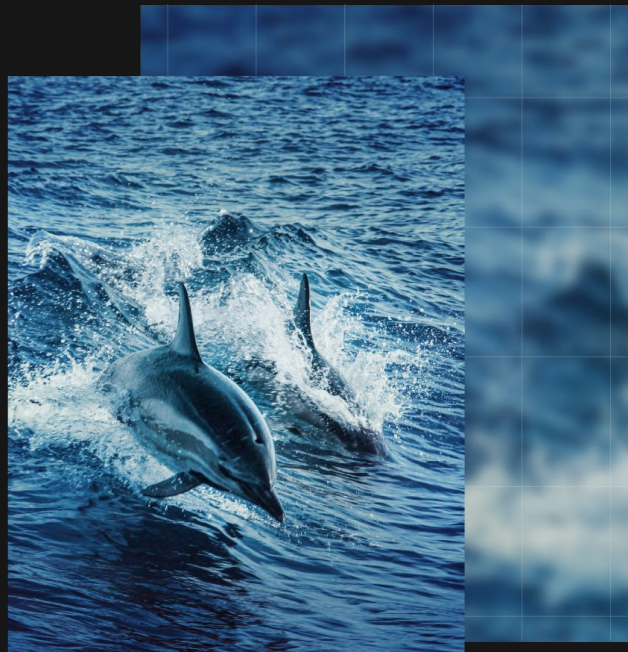
class FFmpegVaapiDecoder(FFmpegDecoder):
    "Generic class for FFmpeg VAAPI decoder"
    hw_acceleration = True
    api = 'VAAPI'
```

Test suite creation

```
{
  "name": "JCT-VC-HEVC_V1",
  "codec": "H.265",
  "description": "JCT-VC HEVC version 1",
  "test_vectors": [
    {
      "name": "AMP_A_Samsung_7",
      "source":
"https://www.itu.int/wftp3/av-arch/jctvc-site/bitstream\_exchange/draft\_conformance/HEVC\_v1/AMP\_A\_Samsung\_7.zip",
      "source_checksum": "0c3edda6a77b4dad7ea70fd24b0b6270",
      "input_file": "AMP_A_Samsung_7.bin",
      "output_format": "yuv420p",
      "result": "93a5875d58072db5539c04e1e943ed9d"
    },
  ]
}
```

Future steps

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Pypi package

- Github release v 0.1.0 (.zip)
- Pypi package creation
 - Encapsulate reference decoder build process (makefile-based) to native python code
 - Refactor path handling to accommodate for user-space installation without administrator rights

| External test suites and decoders

- Be able to define external, closed-source test suites for patented codecs
- Be able to define external decoders

WebCodecs

- Private prototype has been implemented to check the conformance of chromium browser full H.264 decoding stack. Fluster for WebCodecs would be a good solution.
- Chromium Hardware H.264 decoder has a very bad result for the conformance test

[chromium](#) / [media](#) / [gpu](#) / [h264_decoder.cc](#)

Code

Blame

1769 lines (1519 loc) · 60.7 KB

```
1123     bool H264Decoder::ProcessSPS(int sps_id, bool* need_new_buffers) {  
1124  
1130         *need_new_buffers = false;  
1131  
1132         if (sps->frame_mbs_only_flag == 0) {  
1133             DVLOG(1) << "frame_mbs_only_flag != 1 not supported";  
1134             return false;  
1135         }  
1136     }
```

| GStreamer CI integration

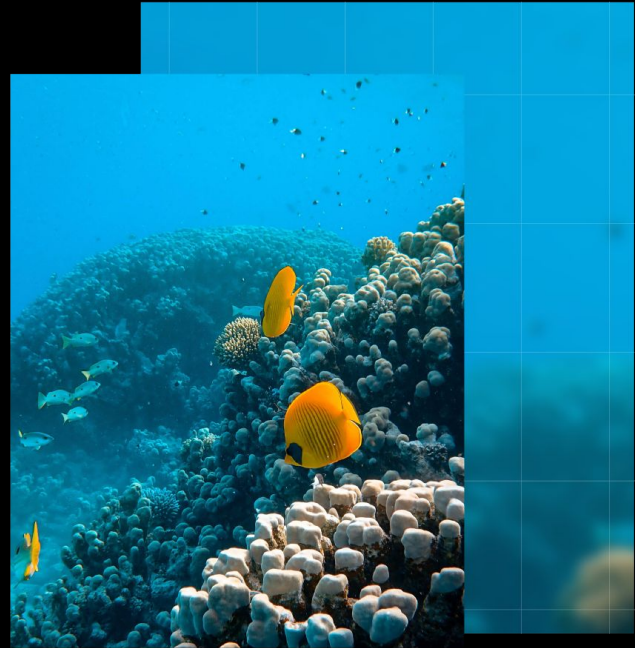
- Early-stage idea
 - Effort estimation
 - Reach consensus with community

Performance improvement

- MD5 checksum calculation
 - Currently: writing raw output streams to disk, calculating and discarding
 - Improvement: on-the-fly calculation on output of decoder element
 - For GStreamer-based decoder using element `videocodectestsink`
 - For FFmpeg-based decoder using argument `-f md5`

Question
time

Thank you!



References

- Github repository: <https://github.com/fluendo/fluster>