

Video Filters

extending Webcodecs




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WebCodecs Extension API

- Post processing Video in the Web via new WebCodecs extension for both Real-Time (streaming) and **Offline** (Video Editing) use cases.
- Expose Filter capabilities based on VideoFrames to avoid Memory copies
- Removing Noise, enhancing color contrast
- More complex filters such as background blur, face retouch and AI based filters.

Video Processing Options – Today ([Link](#)) - Francois & Dom

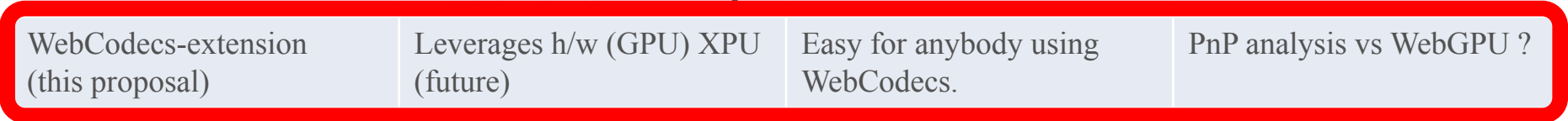
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Add VideoFilters to
your existing web app

EASILY



Platform support today

Filter	Windows	Linux	MacOS
Brightness, Contrast, Hue, Saturation	✓	✓	✓
White balance	✓	✓	✓
Color space conversion	✓	✓	✓
Denoise		✓	✓
Scaling	✓	✓	✓
Deinterlace	✓	✓	✓
Blur			✓
Sharpen		✓	✓
Transpose/rotation		✓	✓
Image blending	✓		✓
Video composition	✓		✓
Skin color enhancement		✓	
Gamma correction		✓	✓

• **Windows:** [Microsoft Media Foundation/DXVA](#)

• **Linux:** [VA-API](#)

• **MacOS:** [Apple Core Image Filter](#)

Stakeholders - *whom should we talk to ?*

Adobe Creative cloud

Climpchamp

Screencastify, inVideo, PlayPlay, Kapwing

OBS ?

How - WebCodecs Extension API

```
[Exposed=(Window,DedicatedWorker), SecureContext]
interface VideoFilter {
    constructor(VideoFilterInit init);

    readonly attribute FilterState state;
    readonly attribute unsigned long filterQueueSize;

    undefined configure(VideoFilterConfig config);
    undefined filter(VideoFrame frame);
    Promise<undefined> flush();
    undefined reset();
    undefined close();

    static Promise<VideoFilterSupport> isConfigSupported(VideoFilterConfig config);
};
```

VideoFilterConfig

```
dictionary VideoFilterConfig {  
  required DOMString filter;  
  [EnforceRange] unsigned long codedWidth;  
  [EnforceRange] unsigned long codedHeight;  
  [EnforceRange] unsigned long displayAspectWidth;  
  [EnforceRange] unsigned long displayAspectHeight;  
  VideoColorSpaceInit colorSpace;  
  HardwareAcceleration hardwareAcceleration = "no-preference";  
  boolean optimizeForLatency;  
};  
  
// When filter == "denoising"  
dictionary VideoFilterDenoisingConfig : VideoFilterConfig {  
  float strength;  
};
```


[Sample Code](#)

```
class WebCodecTransform {
  constructor() {
    this.decoder_ = null;
    this.encoder_ = null;
    this.controller_ = null;

    /** TODO(riju) : Put up multiple filters */
    this.filter_brightness_ = null;
    /**
     * this.filter_contrast_ = null;
     * this.filter_hue_ = null;
     */
    this.frame_count_ = 0;
    this.start_time_ = false;
  }
  /** @override */
  async init() {
    ...
    this.filter_brightness_ = new VideoFilter({
      output: frame => this.handleFilteredFrame(frame),
      error: this.error
    });
    ...
    this.filter_brightness_.configure({filter: 'brightness',
                                      codedWidth: 720,
                                      codedHeight: 576 });
  }
}
```

```
async transform(frame, controller) {
  if (!this.filter_brightness_) {
    frame.close();
    return;
  }
  try {
    this.controller_ = controller;
    this.filter_brightness_.filter(frame);
  } finally {
    frame.close();
  }
}

handleFilteredFrame(videoFrame) {
  if (!this.controller_) {
    videoFrame.close();
    return;
  }
  this.controller_.enqueue(videoFrame);
}
```

Chainable Filtering API

```
interface FilterPipeline {
    constructor(FilterPipelineConfig config);

    Promise<undefined> configurePipeline(FilterPipelineConfig config);
    Promise<FilterElement> createElement(FilterElementConfig config);
    Promise<undefined> deleteElement(FilterElement element);
    Promise<WritableStream> importPort(FilterElement element, DOMString port);
    Promise<ReadableStream> exportPort(FilterElement element, DOMString port);
    Promise<sequence<DOMString>> getAvailableFilterTypes();

    readonly attribute FilterPipelineConfig config;
    readonly attribute sequence<FilterElement> elements;
    readonly attribute sequence<FilterPipelineImport> in;
    readonly attribute sequence<FilterPipelineExport> out;
    readonly attribute FilterPipelineState state;
};

dictionary FilterPipelineImport {
    WritableStream writable;
    FilterElement element;
    DOMString port;
};

dictionary FilterPipelineExport {
    ReadableStream readable;
    FilterElement element;
    DOMString port;
};

dictionary FilterPipelineConfig {
    // TBD
};

enum FilterState {
    "unconfigured",
    "configured",
    "closed"
};
```

```
interface FilterElement {
    Promise<undefined> configureElement(FilterElementConfig config);

    readonly attribute FilterElementConfig config;
    readonly attribute sequence<FilterPort> in;
    readonly attribute sequence<FilterPort> out;
};

partial dictionary FilterElementConfig {
    required DOMString type;
    // TBD
};

partial dictionary FilterElementConfig {
    // when type == "denoise"
    float strength;
};

partial dictionary FilterElementConfig {
    // when type == "scale"
    unsigned long outputWidth;
    unsigned long outputHeight;
};

interface FilterPort {
    Promise<undefined> configurePort(FilterPortConfig config);
    Promise<undefined> connectPort(FilterElement element, DOMString port);
    Promise<undefined> detachPort();

    readonly attribute DOMString name;
    readonly attribute FilterElement peer;
    readonly attribute DOMString peerPort;
    readonly attribute FilterPortConfig config;
};

partial dictionary FilterPortConfig {
};
```

Example of Filter Chains - Scaling and Then Denoising

```

// Build a pipeline such that: [writable] -> scaler -> denoiser -> [readable]
const pipeline = new FilterPipeline({});
const scaler = pipeline.createElement({ type: "scale", outputWidth: 640, outputHeight: 480 });
const denoiser = pipeline.createElement({ type: "denoise", strength: 0.6 });
await scaler.out[0].connectPort(denoiser, denoiser.in[0].name);
const inport = await pipeline.importPort(scaler, scaler.in[0].name);
const outport = await pipeline.exportPort(denoiser, denoiser.out[0].name);

// Use insertable streams to get and push video data
const stream = await getUserMedia({video:true});
const videoTrack = stream.getVideoTracks()[0];
const processor = new MediaStreamTrackProcessor({track: videoTrack});
const generator = new MediaStreamTrackGenerator({kind: 'video'});

processor.readable.pipeThrough({ writable: inport, readable: outport }).pipeTo(generator.writable);
const videoBefore = document.getElementById('video-before');
const videoAfter = document.getElementById('video-after');
videoBefore.srcObject = stream;
const streamAfter = new MediaStream([generator]);
videoAfter.srcObject = streamAfter;
```

What next ?

Demo app

Make a stable PoC

Collect PnP Data against various options

Feedback from stakeholders

Thanks !

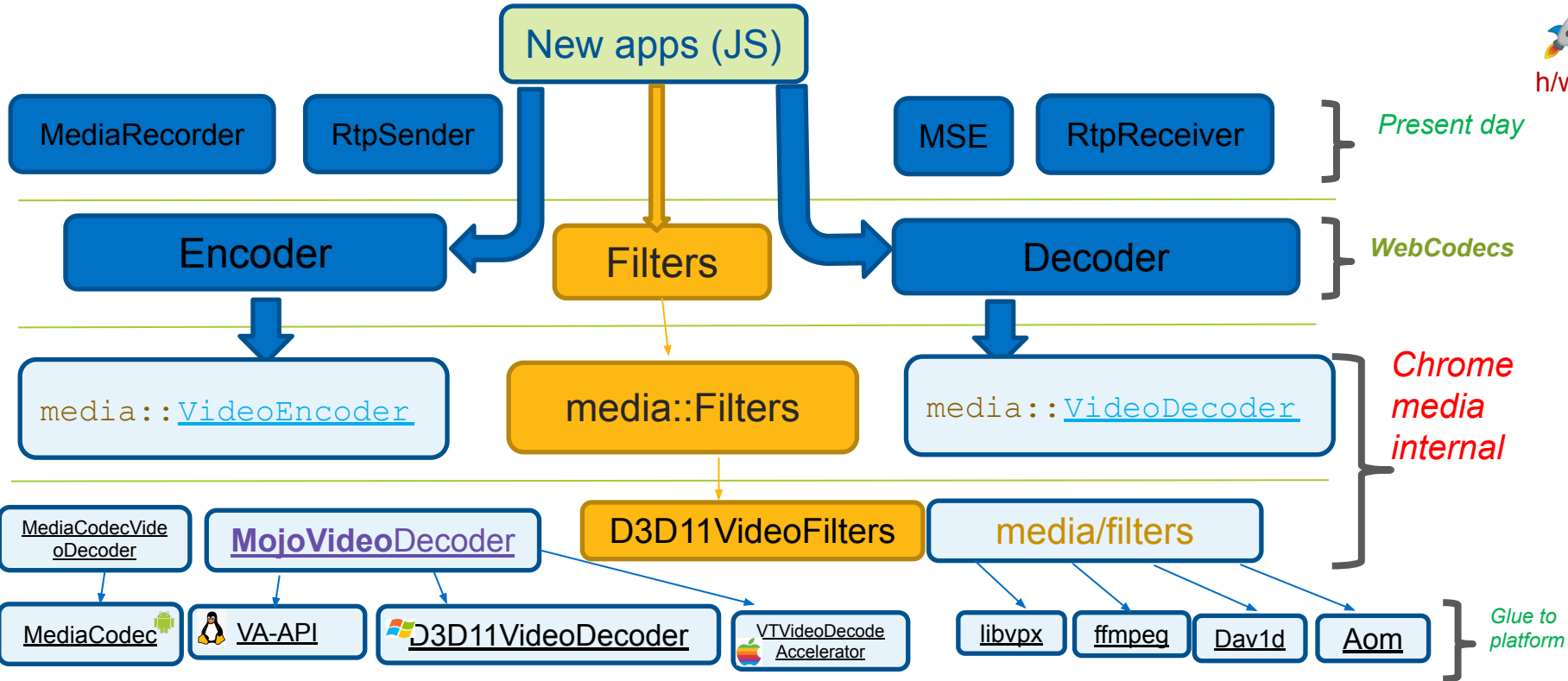
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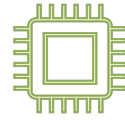
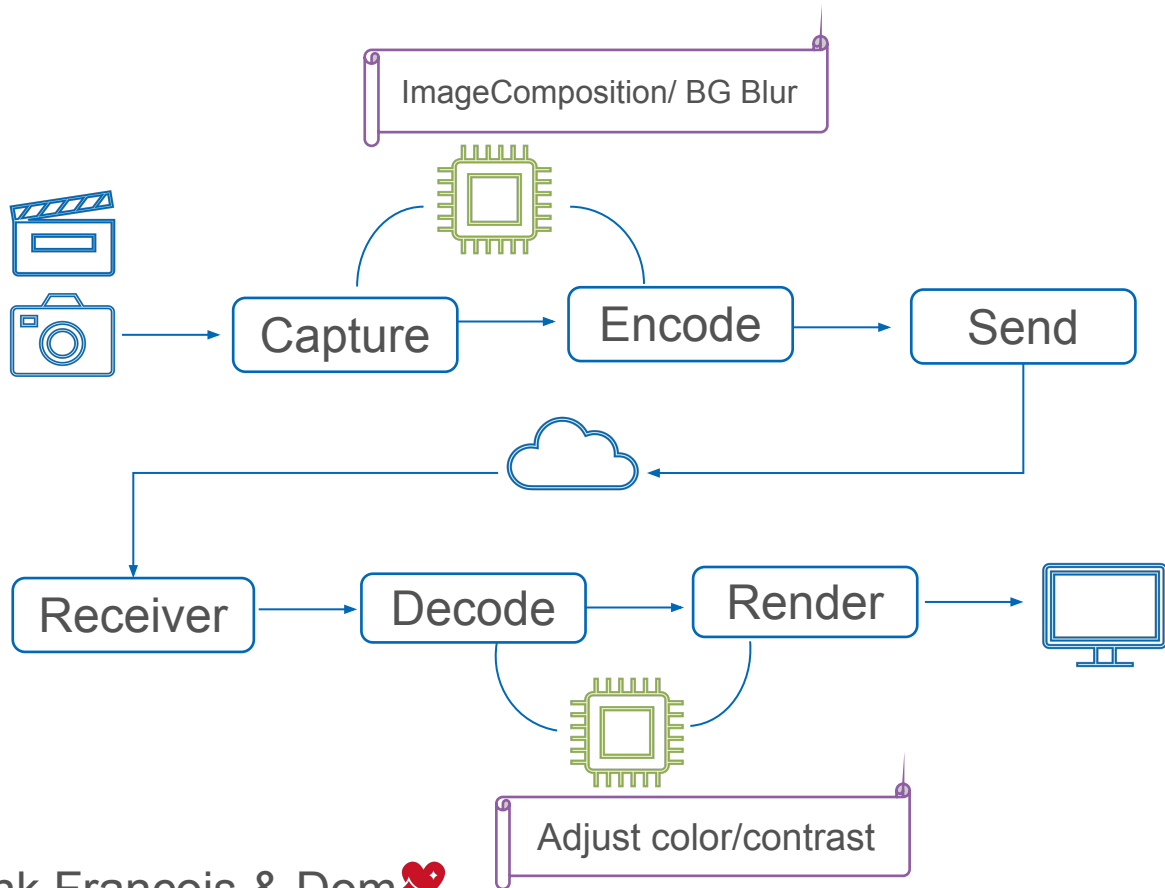
Internal

JS API



h/w





Processing : Video
Filters API

Source:

[HTMLMediaElement](#),

[Media Source
Extensions](#)

[WebRTC](#), [getUserMedia](#),

• Processing:

[WebAssembly](#),

[WebGPU](#),

[Web Neural Network API](#)