

# Interactive video playback and capture in the Processing Language via $\approx g_{streamer}$

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- 1. Quick intro to Processing
- 2. The video library (and gstreamer-java)
- 3. The future (is now): moving to GStreamer 1.0

What is Processing?

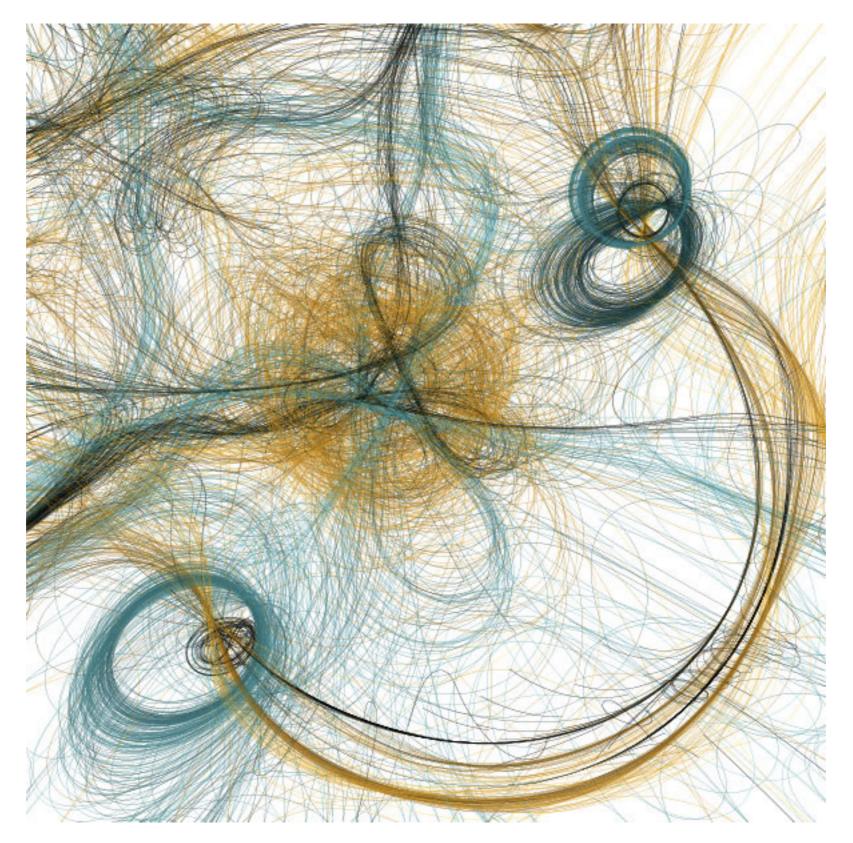


Processing is a programming language and software sketchbook for learning how to code within the context of the visual arts

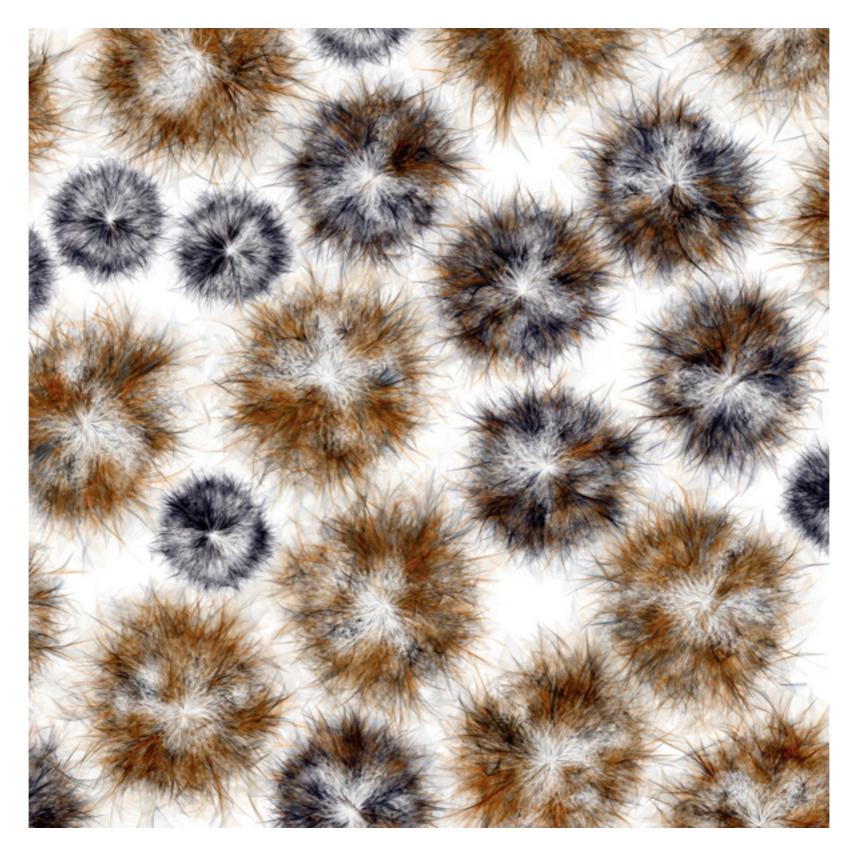
- It was initiated by Ben Fry and Casey Reas in 2001 at the MIT Media Lab
- Their goal was to create a programming tool to make code more accessible to artists and designers
- It's built around the idea of "code sketching" by implementing visual ideas and iterating quickly
- It is based on Java to reach a compromise between language simplicity, performance, and portability
- http://www.processing.org/ for more details!

### Hello, world! in Processing





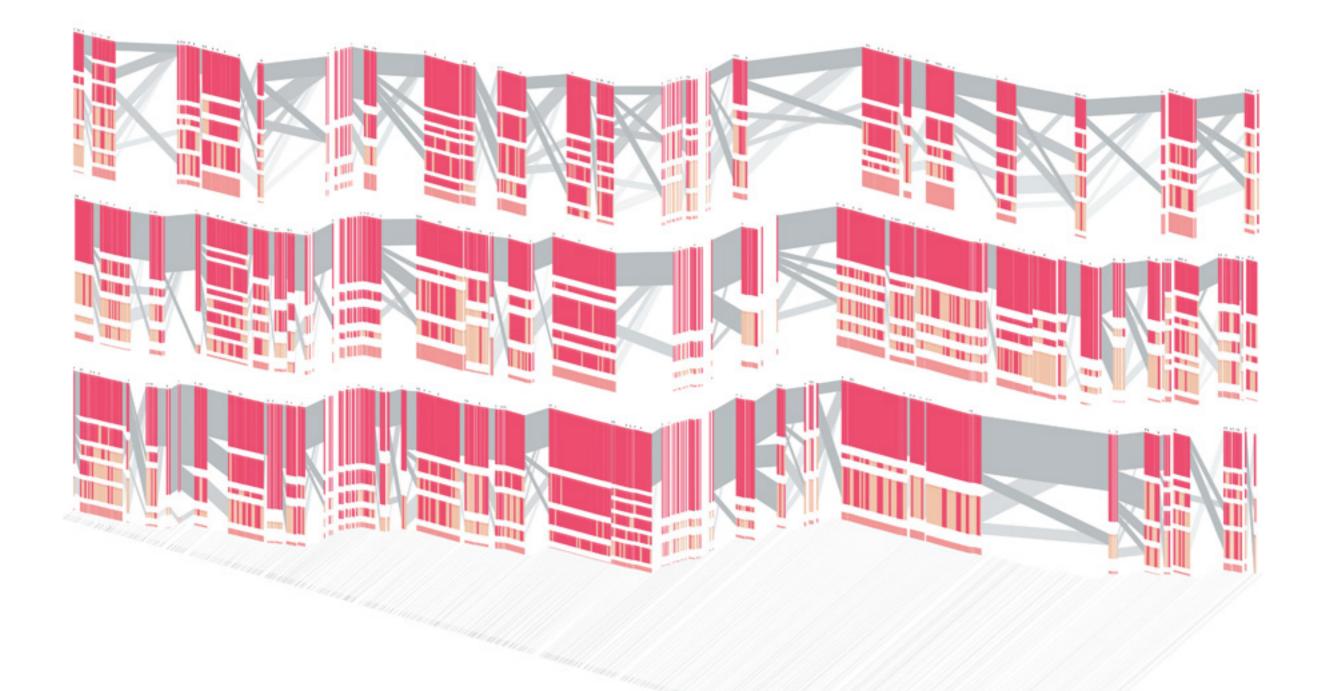
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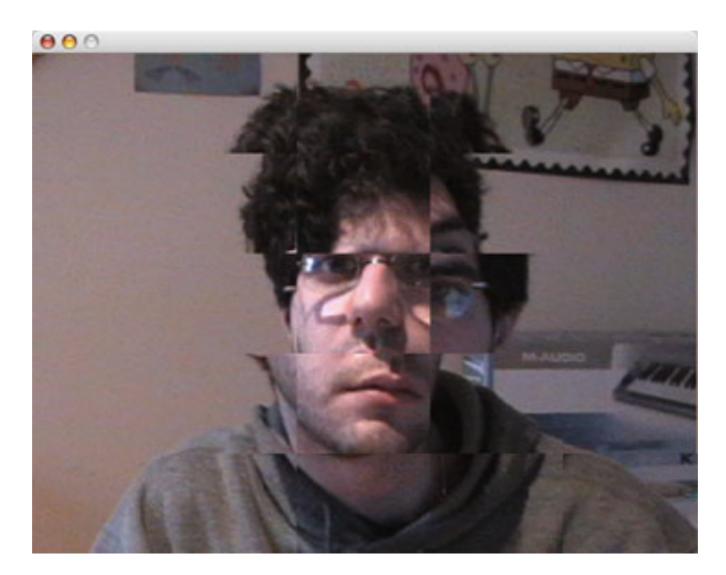


## Community

- Thousands of people use the software every day for teaching and production
- http://forum.processing.org/
- https://github.com/processing
- http://p5js.org/
- http://openprocessing.org/
- http://fyprocessing.tumblr.com/
- Related projects: Arduino, openFrameworks, …



### Video in Processing



(Image by Elie Zananiri)

- Processing has a modular architecture that makes it easy to extend its core functionality through libraries
- Since early versions (pre1.0), Processing included a video library
- This library follows the principles of the core API: immediate visual feedback, simple naming conventions, circumscribed functionality
- It was originally based on QuickTime for Java :-(

### demo of the video library



#### Installing QuickTime for Java on Windows

To use plugins that require QuickTime you must install QuickTime and copy the file QTJava.zip to a location where ImageJ and QuickTime for Java can find it.

- 1. Install QuickTime 7
- Copy QTJava.zip to the Java extensions folder (...ImageJ\jre\lib\ext)

Look for QTJava.zip in places like C:\Program Files\QuickTime\QTSystem or C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.5.0\lib\ext, or use the Windows Search function to find it.

To compile a plugin that uses QuickTime for Java using Plugins>Compile and Run, put a copy of QTJava.zip in the plugins folder and rename it QTJava.jar.

#### Installing QuickTime for Java (QuickTime 6 and earlier)

- If you haven't already done so, download and install one of the Java Runtime Environments or Java Software Development Kits from <u>Sun</u>. This step is necessary because the QuickTime installer will not install QuickTime for Java if a Sun JRE or SDK is not installed. A JRE or SDK does not need to be installed to run ImageJ or to run QuickTime plugins. ImageJ normally uses the JRE 1.3.1 included in the ImageJ folder.
- 2. Download QuickTime from Apple and do a custom installation, selecting "QuickTime for Java" from the list of optional components.
- 3. Use the Find program to find the file "QTJava.zip".
- 4. Open "ImageJ.cfg" (it's in the ImageJ folder) in a text editor such as notepad and add the path to QTJava.zip to third line. For example, if QTjava.zip is in the C:\Windows\System\ directory then the third line would look something like:

#### -Xmx400m -cp ij.jar;C:\Windows\System\QTJava.zip ij.ImageJ

The -Xmx400 option specifies how much memory is available to ImageJ, in this case 400MB.

Restart ImageJ and you should be able run or "Compile and Run" plugins that use QuickTime.

## Already in 2007, QuickTime for Java had many disadvantages:

- It was not cross-platform, as a consequence the video library did not work on Linux
- It was very slow: pixel buffers were copied from QuickTime over to Java
- You needed to install QuickTime on Windows

## Enter gstreamer-java (2007 - present)!



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#### Cross-platform video library for Processing 39 comments

I recently discovered these Java bindings for GStreamer by Wayne Meissner, and started writing an alternative video library for Processing based on them. My idea is to create an alternative for the built-in Quicktime video library, which is difficult to use on Windows because its dependency on WinVDIG, and doesn't work on Linux at all.

So I came up with this new gsvideo library, in which I will eventually re-implement all the three classes of the built-in video library: Capture, Movie and MovieMaker. The idea is that the new classes, called GSCapture, GSMovie and GSMovieMaker, will have exactly the same API as the original ones. Read the rest of this entry »

Posted December 12, 2007 by ac in Programming Tagged with cross-platform, GStreamer, gsvideo, library, Linux, OSX, Processing, video, windows

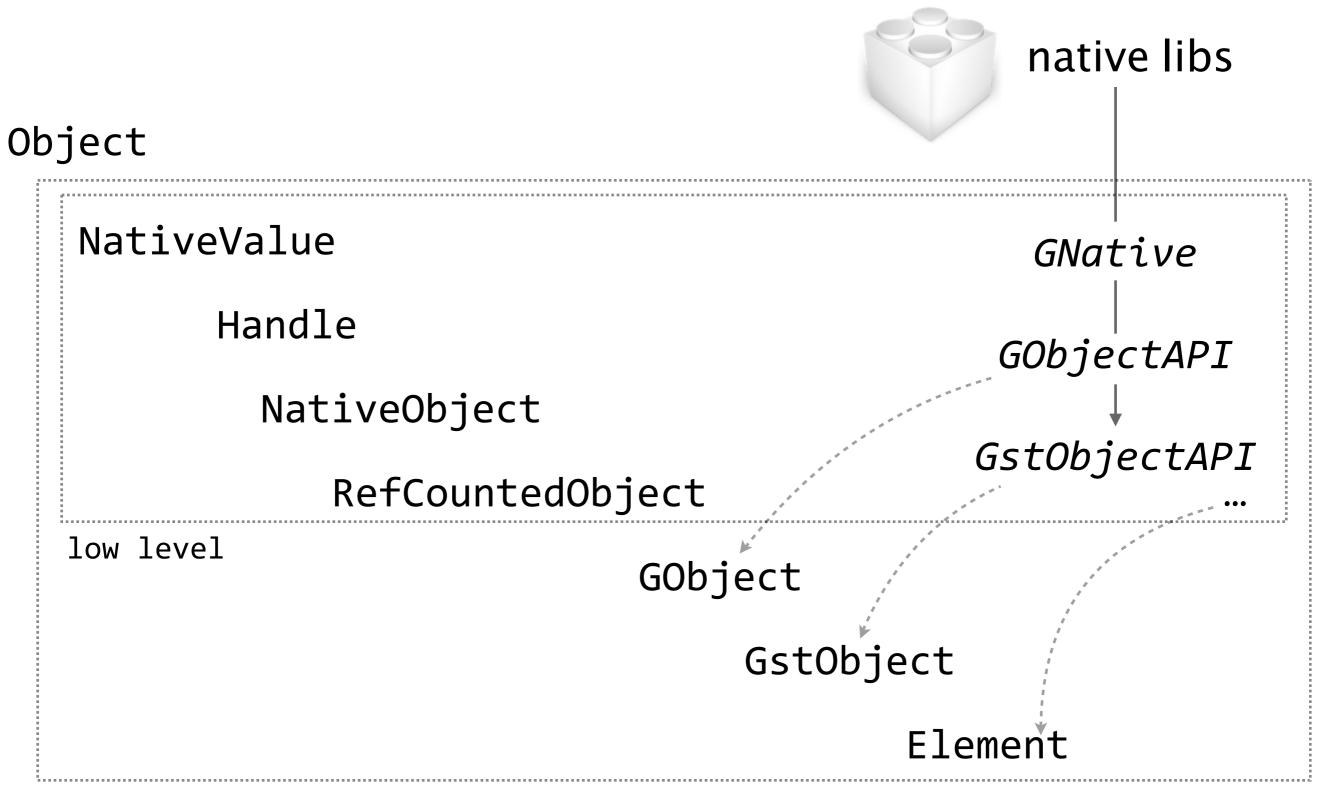
- gstreamer-java is a set of Java bindings for GStreamer 0.10
- It is based on Java Native Access (JNA)
- It was initiated by Wayne Meissner in early 2007
- Levente Farkas, Tal Shalif, and David Hoyt made important contributions early on and maintained the project after Wayne's departure
- I added a few components that allowed to extract the video frames into the Java application, and rewrote the video library in Processing to use gstreamer-java instead of QuickTime for Java

a few projects using video: Videorative Portraits: https://vimeo.com/32760578 The Life in a Day Gallery: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g4y6cppFxgo Mass Rhythm: https://vimeo.com/105419121 Facial Distortions: https://vimeo.com/3688931 Incarceration-vacation: https://vimeo.com/34311454



Let's take a deeper look into gstreamer-java

- It uses JNA, so no need to write glue code in C, like it is the case with JNI
- However, the object hierarchy in GStreamer, starting from GLib, is duplicated manually in Java
- It comprises of around 300 Java classes.



gstreamer

```
public final class GNative {
   // gstreamer on win32 names the dll files one of foo.dll, libfoo.dll and libfoo-0.dll
   private static String[] windowsNameFormats = { "%s", "lib%s", "lib%s-0" };
   private static AtomicReference<String> globalLibName;
   private GNative() {}
   public static synchronized <T extends Library> T loadLibrary(String name, Class<T> interfaceClass, Map<String, ?> options) {
        if (!Platform.isWindows())
            return loadNativeLibrary(name, interfaceClass, options);
        for (String format : windowsNameFormats)
           try {
                return interfaceClass.cast(loadNativeLibrary(String.format(format, name), interfaceClass, options));
            } catch (UnsatisfiedLinkError ex) {
                continue;
            }
        throw new UnsatisfiedLinkError("Could not load library: " + name);
   private static <T extends Library> T loadNativeLibrary(String name, Class<T> interfaceClass, Map<String, ?> options) {
       T library = interfaceClass.cast(Native.loadLibrary(globalLibName == null ? name : globalLibName.get(), interfaceClass, options));
       boolean needCustom = false:
   search:
       for (Method m : interfaceClass.getMethods())
            for (Class<?> cls : m.getParameterTypes())
                if (cls.isArray() && getConverter(cls.getComponentType()) != null) {
                    needCustom = true;
                    break search;
                }
       if (!needCustom)
            return library;
          System.out.println("Using custom library proxy for " + interfaceClass.getName());
//
        return interfaceClass.cast(
                        Proxy.newProxyInstance(interfaceClass.getClassLoader(),
                                        new Class[]{ interfaceClass },
                                        new Handler<T>(library, options)));
   public static synchronized NativeLibrary getNativeLibrary(String name) {
       if (!Platform.isWindows())
            return NativeLibrary.getInstance(name);
       for (String format : windowsNameFormats)
            try {
                return NativeLibrary.getInstance(String.format(format, name));
            } catch (UnsatisfiedLinkError ex) {
                continue;
       throw new UnsatisfiedLinkError("Could not load library: " + name);
```

```
GObjectAPI GOBJECT_API = GNative.loadLibrary("gobject-2.0", GObjectAPI.class,
    new HashMap<String, Object>() {{
        put(Library.OPTION_TYPE_MAPPER, new GTypeMapper());
   });
GType g_object_get_type();
void g_param_value_validate(GParamSpec spec, GValue data);
void g_object_set_property(GObject obj, String property, GValue data);
void g_object_get_property(GObject obj, String property, GValue data);
void g_object_set(GObject obj, String propertyName, Object... data);
void g_object_get(GObject obj, String propertyName, Object... data);
Pointer g_object_class_list_properties(Pointer oclass, IntByReference size);
Pointer g_object_new(GType object_type, Object... args);
interface GClosureNotify extends Callback {
    void callback(Pointer data, Pointer closure);
}
NativeLong g_signal_connect_data(GObject obj, String signal, Callback callback, Pointer data,
        GClosureNotify destroy_data, int connect_flags);
void g_signal_handler_disconnect(GObject obj, NativeLong id);
boolean g_object_is_floating(GObject obj);
interface GToggleNotify extends Callback {
    void callback(Pointer data, Pointer obj, boolean is_last_ref);
}
void g object add toggle ref(Pointer object, GToggleNotify notify, Pointer data);
void g_object_remove_toggle_ref(Pointer object, GToggleNotify notify, Pointer data);
void g_object_add_toggle_ref(Pointer object, GToggleNotify notify, IntPtr data);
void g_object_remove_toggle_ref(Pointer object, GToggleNotify notify, IntPtr data);
interface GWeakNotify extends Callback {
    void callback(IntPtr data, Pointer obj);
}
void g_object_weak_ref(GObject object, GWeakNotify notify, IntPtr data);
void g_object_weak_unref(GObject object, GWeakNotify notify, IntPtr data);
Pointer g_object_ref(GObject object);
void g_object_unref(GObject object);
GParamSpec g_object_class_find_property(GObjectClass oclass, String property_name);
Pointer g_object_class_find_property(Pointer oclass, String property_name);
GQuark g_quark_try_string(String string);
GQuark g_quark_from_static_string(String string);
GQuark g_quark_from_string(String string);
String g_quark_to_string(GQuark quark);
String g intern string(String string);
String g_intern_static_string(String string);
void g_type_init();
void g_type_init_with_debug_flags(int flags);
```

public interface GObjectAPI extends Library {

```
public abstract class GObject extends RefCountedObject {
    private static final Logger logger = Logger.getLogger(GObject.class.getName());
   private static final Level LIFECYCLE = Level.FINE;
   private static final Map<GObject, Boolean> strongReferences = new ConcurrentHashMap<GObject, Boolean>();
    private Map<Class<?>, Map<Object, GCallback>> callbackListeners;
    private Map<String, Map<Closure, ClosureProxy>> signalClosures;
    private final IntPtr objectID = new IntPtr(System.identityHashCode(this));
    public GObject(Initializer init) {
        super(init.needRef ? initializer(init.ptr, false, init.ownsHandle) : init);
        logger.entering("GObject", "<init>", new Object[] { init });
        if (init.ownsHandle) {
            strongReferences.put(this, Boolean.TRUE);
            GOBJECT_API.g_object_add_toggle_ref(init.ptr, toggle, objectID);
            if (!init.needRef) {
                unref();
            }
        }
    }
    /**
    * Gives the type value.
    */
    public GType getType() {
        return new GType(new GObjectStruct(this).g_type_instance.g_class.getNativeLong(0).longValue());
    }
    /**
    * Gives the type name.
    */
    public String getTypeName() {
        return GOBJECT_API.g_type_name(getType());
    }
    /**
    * Sets the value of a <tt>GObject</tt> property.
     ж
     * @param property The property to set.
     * @param data The value for the property. This must be of the type expected
    * by gstreamer.
    */
    // TODO: setGValue code merge
    public void set(String property, Object data) {
        logger.entering("GObject", "set", new Object[] { property, data });
        GObjectAPI.GParamSpec propertySpec = findProperty(property);
        if (propertySpec == null || data == null) {
            throw new IllegalArgumentException("Unknown property: " + property);
        }
        final GType propType = propertySpec.value_type;
```

```
public interface GstElementAPI extends com.sun.jna.Library {
   GstElementAPI GSTELEMENT_API = GstNative.load(GstElementAPI.class);
   GType gst_element_get_type();
   StateChangeReturn gst_element_set_state(Element elem, State state);
   StateChangeReturn gst_element_get_state(Element elem, State[] state, State[] pending, long timeout);
   StateChangeReturn gst_element_get_state(Element elem, State[] state, State[] pending, ClockTime timeout);
   boolean gst_element_set_locked_state(Element element, boolean locked_state);
   boolean gst_element_sync_state_with_parent(Element elem);
   boolean gst_element_query_position(Element elem, Format[] fmt, long[] pos);
   boolean gst_element_query_duration(Element elem, Format[] fmt, long[] pos);
   boolean gst_element_query(Element elem, Query query);
   boolean gst_element_seek(Element elem, double rate, Format format, int flags,
            SeekType cur_type, long cur, SeekType stop_type, long stop);
   boolean gst_element_seek_simple(Element elem, Format format, int flags, long pos);
   boolean gst_element_link(Element elem1, Element elem2);
   boolean gst_element_link_many(Element... elements);
   void gst_element_unlink_many(Element... elements);
   void gst_element_unlink(Element elem1, Element elem2);
   @CallerOwnsReturn Pad gst_element_get_pad(Element elem, String name);
   @CallerOwnsReturn Pad gst_element_get_static_pad(Element element, String name);
   // pads returned from get_request have to be freed via release_request_pad
   Pad gst_element_get_request_pad(Element element, String name);
   void gst_element_release_request_pad(Element element, Pad pad);
   boolean gst_element_add_pad(Element elem, Pad pad);
   boolean gst_element_remove_pad(Element elem, @IncRef Pad pad);
   boolean gst_element_link_pads(Element src, String srcpadname, Element dest, String destpadname);
   void gst_element_unlink_pads(Element src, String srcpadname, Element dest, String destpadname);
   boolean gst_element_link_pads_filtered(Element src, String srcpadname, Element dest, String destpadname,
            Caps filter);
   Pointer gst_element_iterate_pads(Element element);
   Pointer gst_element_iterate_src_pads(Element element);
   Pointer gst element iterate sink pads(Element element);
   /* factory management */
   ElementFactory gst_element_get_factory(Element element);
   @CallerOwnsReturn Bus gst_element_get_bus(Element element);
   boolean gst_element_send_event(Element element, @IncRef Event event);
   boolean gst_element_post_message(Element element, @IncRef Message message);
   boolean gst_element_implements_interface(Element element, NativeLong iface_type);
   /* clocking */
   Clock gst_element_get_clock(Element element);
   boolean gst_element_set_clock(Element element, Clock clock);
   void gst_element_set_base_time(Element element, ClockTime time);
   ClockTime gst_element_get_base_time(Element element);
   void gst_element_set_start_time(Element element, ClockTime time);
   ClockTime gst_element_get_start_time(Element element);
```

public static final class GstElementDetails extends com.sun.jna.Structure {

```
public class Element extends GstObject {
    public static final String GTYPE_NAME = "GstElement";
    private static final GstElementAPI gst = GstNative.load(GstElementAPI.class);
    /**
    * Creates a new instance of Element. This constructor is used internally.
    * @param init internal initialization data.
    */
    public Element(Initializer init) {
       super(init);
    }
    /**
     * Creates an instance of the required element type, but does not wrap it in
     * a proxy.
     ж
     * @param factoryName The name of the factory to use to produce the Element
     * @param elementName The name to assign to the created Element
    * @return a raw element.
    */
    protected static Initializer makeRawElement(String factoryName, String elementName) {
        return initializer(ElementFactory.makeRawElement(factoryName, elementName));
    }
    /**
     * Links this element to another element.
     * The link must be from source to destination; the other direction will not
     * be tried.
     * 
     * The function looks for existing pads that aren't linked yet.
     * It will request new pads if necessary. Such pads need to be released manually when unlinking.
     * If multiple links are possible, only one is established.
     *
     * Make sure you have added your elements to a bin or pipeline with
     * {@link Bin#add} or {@link Bin#addMany} before trying to link them.
     ж
     * @param dest The {@link Element} containing the destination pad.
    * @return true if the elements could be linked, false otherwise.
    */
    public boolean link(Element dest) {
        return gst.gst_element_link(this, dest);
   }
    /**
    * Chain together a series of elements, with this element as the first in the list.
     * 
     * Make sure you have added your elements to a bin or pipeline with
     * {@link Bin#add} or {@link Bin#addMany} before trying to link them.
```

### Sample application using Swing

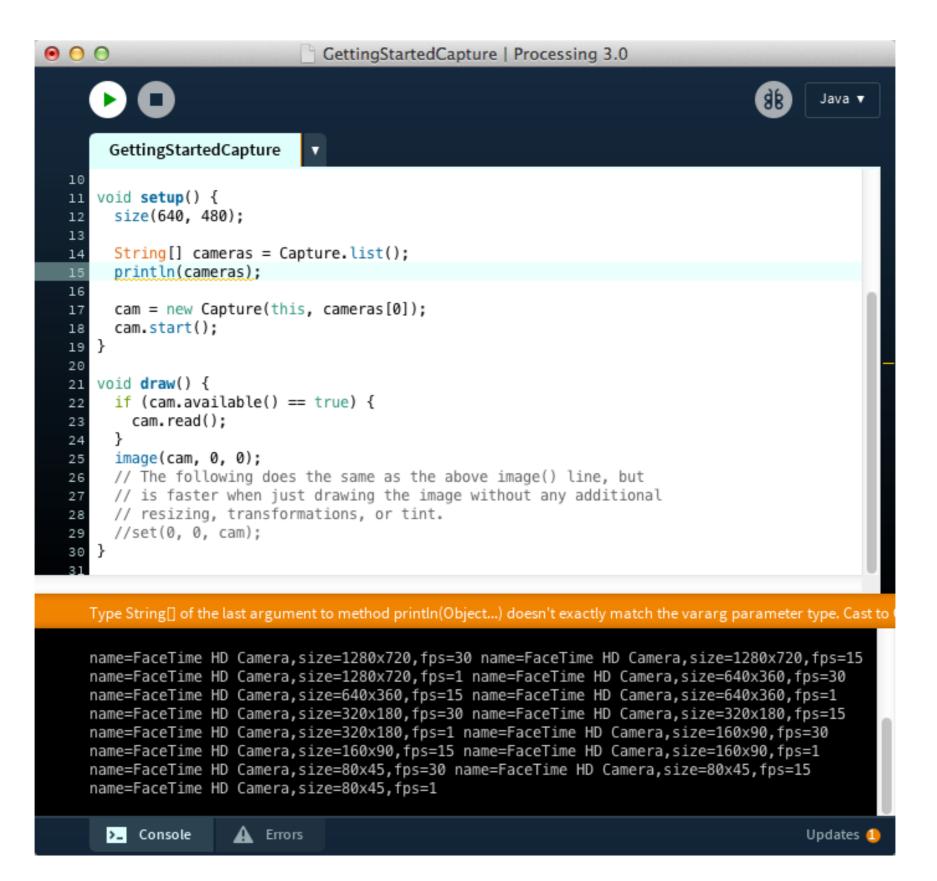
```
public class VideoPlayer {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        args = Gst.init("VideoPlayer", args);
        final PlayBin playbin = new PlayBin("VideoPlayer");
        playbin.setInputFile(new File(args[0]));
        SwingUtilities.invokeLater(new Runnable() {
            public void run() {
                VideoComponent videoComponent = new VideoComponent();
                playbin.setVideoSink(videoComponent.getElement());
                JFrame frame = new JFrame("VideoPlayer");
                frame.getContentPane().add(videoComponent, BorderLayout.CENTER);
                frame.setPreferredSize(new Dimension(640, 480));
                frame.setDefaultCloseOperation(WindowConstants.EXIT_ON_CLOSE);
                frame.pack();
                frame.setVisible(true);
                playbin.setState(State.PLAYING);
            3
        };
        Gst.main();
        playbin.setState(State.NULL);
    }
}
```

### VideoComponent extends javax.swing.JComponent,and…

```
private class RGBListener implements RGBDataSink.Listener {
   public void rgbFrame(boolean isPrerollFrame, int width, int height, IntBuffer rgb) {
       // If the EDT is still copying data from the buffer, just drop this frame
       11
       if (!bufferLock.tryLock()) {
            return;
        }
        11
       // If there is already a swing update pending, also drop this frame.
        11
       if (updatePending && !isPrerollFrame) {
           bufferLock.unlock();
            return;
        }
        try {
            final BufferedImage renderImage = getBufferedImage(width, height);
            int[] pixels = ((DataBufferInt) renderImage.getRaster().getDataBuffer()).getData();
            rgb.get(pixels, 0, width * height);
           updatePending = true;
        } finally {
            bufferLock.unlock();
        }
        int scaledWidth = currentImage.getWidth();
        if (keepAspect) {
           // Scale width according to pixel aspect ratio.
           Caps videoCaps = videoPad.getNegotiatedCaps();
            Structure capsStruct = videoCaps.getStructure(0);
            if (capsStruct.hasField("pixel-aspect-ratio")) {
                Fraction pixelAspectRatio = capsStruct.getFraction("pixel-aspect-ratio");
                scaledWidth = scaledWidth * pixelAspectRatio.getNumerator() / pixelAspectRatio.getDenominator();
            }
        }
        // Tell swing to use the new buffer
       update(scaledWidth, currentImage.getHeight());
3
```

```
/**
* Class that allows to pull out buffers from the GStreamer pipeline into
* the application.
*/
public class RGBDataSink extends Bin {
   private static final GstBinAPI gst = GstNative.load(GstBinAPI.class);
   private final BaseSink videosink;
   private boolean passDirectBuffer = false;
   private Listener listener;
    public static interface Listener {
       void rgbFrame(boolean isPrerollFrame, int width, int height, IntBuffer rgb);
    }
    /**
    * Creates a new instance of RGBDataSink with the given name.
    * @param name The name used to identify this pipeline.
    */
    public RGBDataSink(String name, Listener listener) {
       super(initializer(gst.ptr_gst_bin_new(name)));
       this.listener = listener;
       videosink = (FakeSink) ElementFactory.make("fakesink", name);
       videosink.set("signal-handoffs", true);
       videosink.set("sync", true);
       videosink.set("preroll-queue-len", 1);
        videosink.connect((BaseSink.HANDOFF) new VideoHandoffListener());
       videosink.connect((BaseSink.PREROLL_HANDOFF) new VideoHandoffListener());
       11
       // Convert the input into 32bit RGB so it can be fed directly to a BufferedImage
       11
       Element conv = ElementFactory.make("ffmpegcolorspace", "ColorConverter");
       Element videofilter = ElementFactory.make("capsfilter", "ColorFilter");
       StringBuilder caps = new StringBuilder("video/x-raw-rgb, bpp=32, depth=24, endianness=(int)4321, ");
       // JNA creates ByteBuffer using native byte order, set masks according to that.
       if (ByteOrder.nativeOrder() == ByteOrder.LITTLE_ENDIAN)
         caps.append("red_mask=(int)0xFF00, green_mask=(int)0xFF0000, blue_mask=(int)0xFF000000");
        else
          caps.append("red_mask=(int)0xFF0000, green_mask=(int)0xFF00, blue_mask=(int)0xFF");
       videofilter.setCaps(new Caps(caps.toString()));
       addMany(conv, videofilter, videosink);
       Element.linkMany(conv, videofilter, videosink);
```

### Device probing to list cameras in Processing



```
static protected ArrayList<String> listDevices(String sourceName,
                                                String propertyName) {
 ArrayList<String> devices = new ArrayList<String>();
 try {
   // Using property-probe interface
    Element videoSource = ElementFactory.make(sourceName, "Source");
    PropertyProbe probe = PropertyProbe.wrap(videoSource);
    if (probe != null) {
      Property property = probe.getProperty(propertyName);
     if (property != null) {
        Object[] values = probe.getValues(property);
        if (values != null) {
          for (int i = 0; i < values.length; i++) {</pre>
            if (values[i] instanceof String) {
              devices.add((String)values[i]);
            } else if (values[i] instanceof Integer) {
              devices.add(((Integer)values[i]).toString());
            }
          }
       }
      }
 } catch (IllegalArgumentException e) {
   if (PApplet.platform == LINUX) {
     // Linux hack to detect currently connected cameras
     // by looking for device files named /dev/video0, /dev/video1, etc.
      devices = new ArrayList<String>();
      String dir = "/dev";
      File libPath = new File(dir);
      String[] files = libPath.list();
     if (files != null) {
       for (int i = 0; i < files.length; i++) {</pre>
          if (-1 < files[i].indexOf("video")) {</pre>
            devices.add("/dev/" + files[i]);
          }
        }
     }
   } else {
      PGraphics.showWarning("The capture plugin does not support " +
                            "device query!");
      devices = new ArrayList<String>();
    }
 }
 return devices;
}
```

```
static protected ArrayList<String> listResolutions(String sourceName,
                                                   String propertyName,
                                                   Object propertyValue) {
  // Creating temporary pipeline so that we can query
  // the resolutions supported by the device.
  Pipeline testPipeline = new Pipeline("test");
  Element source = ElementFactory.make(sourceName, "source");
  source.set(propertyName, propertyValue);
  BufferDataAppSink sink = new BufferDataAppSink("sink", "",
      new BufferDataAppSink.Listener() {
        public void bufferFrame(int w, int h, Buffer buffer) { }
      });
  testPipeline.addMany(source, sink);
  Element.linkMany(source, sink);
  // Play/pause sequence (with getState() calls to to make sure
  // all async operations are done) to trigger the capture momentarily
  // for the device and obtain its supported resolutions.
  testPipeline.play();
  testPipeline.getState();
  testPipeline.pause();
  testPipeline.getState();
  ArrayList<String> resolutions = new ArrayList<String>();
  addResFromSource(resolutions, source);
  testPipeline.stop();
  testPipeline.getState();
  if (sink != null) {
    sink.removeListener();
    sink.dispose();
  }
  testPipeline.dispose();
  return resolutions;
}
```

Last, but not least, we needed GStreamer binaries for Windows and Mac OS X

- We managed to build them using MacPorts on Mac, cross-compilation with mingw64 on Linux to output Windows .dlls
- These builds of 0.10 have been in use since Processing 1.x until today…



# GStreamer 1.0: The future is now $\cdots$

We have 3 options to transition to GStreamer 1.x:

- 1. Writing a minimal binding only for Processing, using JNI
- 2. We update gstreamer-java so it works with 1.x
- 3. We auto-generate the bindings form the .gir files!



#### 1. Minimal JNI binding, only for Processing

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <jni.h>
#include <gst/gst.h>
#include <gst/app/gstappsink.h> // for GstAppSink, part of gstreamer-plugins-base
#include "impl.h"
#include "iface.h"
GThread *thread;
GMainLoop *loop;
#define MAX_VIDEOS 10
video videos[MAX_VIDEOS];
JNIEXPORT jboolean JNICALL Java_processing_simplevideo_SimpleVideo_gstreamer_1init(JNIEnv *env, jclass cls)
{
  GError *err = NULL;
  gst_init_check(NULL, NULL, &err);
  if (err != NULL) {
    g_print("Could not initialize library: %s\n", err->message);
    g_error_free(err);
    return FALSE;
  }
  thread = g_thread_new("simplevideo-mainloop", simplevideo_mainloop, NULL);
  return TRUE;
}
static void* simplevideo_mainloop(void *data) {
  loop = g_main_loop_new(NULL, FALSE);
  g_main_loop_run(loop);
  return NULL;
}
```

#### 2. Updated JNA bindings, gstreamer1.x-java

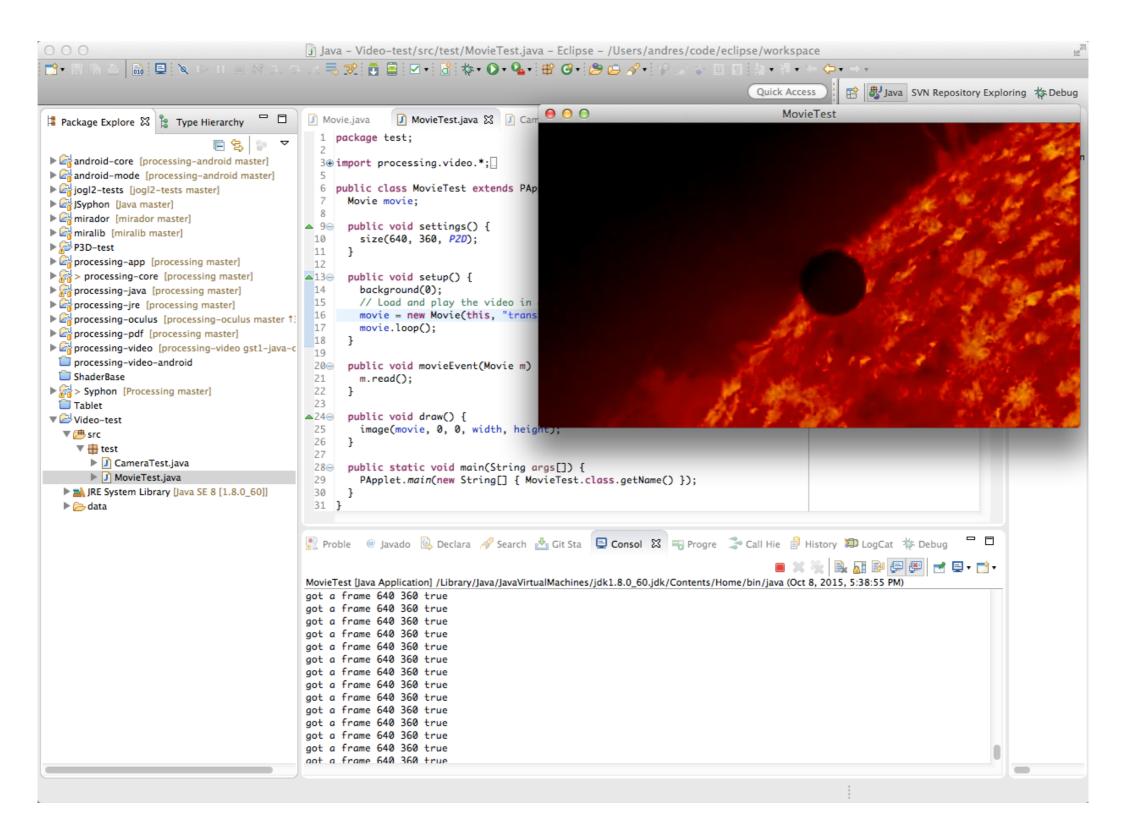
• One year ago, GitHub user armouroflight pushed a version of gstreamer-java mostly compatible with GStreamer 1.0/1.2:

https://github.com/armouroflight/gstreamer1.x-java

Neil C. Smith, also a Processing enthusiast, took armouroflight's code and create a more stable version:

https://github.com/gstreamer-java/gst1-java-core

# We already have a version of the Processing video library based on gst1-java-core with movie and capture support:



```
1065
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       private class NewSampleListener implements AppSink.NEW_SAMPLE {
10670
         @Override
1068
         public void newBuffer(AppSink sink) {
            Sample sample = sink.pullSample();
1069
1070
            Structure capsStruct = sample.getCaps().getStructure(0);
1071
            int w = capsStruct.getInteger("width");
1072
            int h = capsStruct.getInteger("height");
1073
            Buffer buffer = sample.getBuffer();
1074
            ByteBuffer bb = buffer.map(false);
1075
           if (bb != null) {
1076
             // If the EDT is still copying data from the buffer, just drop this frame
1077
             if (!bufferLock.tryLock()) {
1078
                return;
1079
             }
1080
              IntBuffer rgb = bb.asIntBuffer();
1081
1082
              available = true;
1083
              bufWidth = w;
1084
              bufHeight = h;
              System.out.println("got a frame " + w + " " + h + " " + playing);
1085
              if (copyPixels == null) {
1086
1087
                copyPixels = new int[w * h];
1088
              }
1089
1090
              try {
1091
                rgb.get(copyPixels, 0, width * height);
               if (playing) {
1092
1093
                  fireMovieEvent();
1094
               }
1095
1096
             } finally {
1097
                bufferLock.unlock();
1098
              }
1099
1100
              buffer.unmap();
           3
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1102
            sample.dispose();
         }
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1104
       }
1105
     }
```

#### 3. Automated binding generation, using gir2java

- This is a project started during GSoC 2014 by Roland Elek, and co-mentored by Levente Farkas and myself
- It is parser and generator that generates the Java bindings automatically using GObject Instrospection .gir files
- It went pretty far: GLib, GObject, Gio, GModule, Gst-1.0, GstBase-1.0, and GstVideo-1.0 compile without errors on a recent Linux distro, and it is capable of running a simple video playback pipeline

https://github.com/gstreamer-java/gir2java

```
package generated.gstreamer10.gst;
import generated.glib20.glib.GCond;
import generated.glib20.glib.GList;
import generated.glib20.glib.GRecMutex;
import org.bridj.BridJ;
import org.bridj.IntValuedEnum;
import org.bridj.Pointer;
import org.bridj.ann.Field;
import org.bridj.ann.Library;
import org.bridj.ann.Ptr;
@Library("gstreamer-1.0")
public class GstElement
   extends GstObject
{
   static {
        BridJ.register();
    }
   public GstElement() {
        super();
   }
   public GstElement(Pointer pointer) {
        super(pointer);
   }
   protected static native boolean gst_element_register(
        @Ptr
        long plugin,
        @Ptr
        long name, long rank, long type);
   public static boolean register(Pointer plugin, Pointer name, long rank, long type) {
        return GstElement.gst_element_register(Pointer.getPeer(plugin), Pointer.getPeer(name), rank, type);
   }
   protected native void gst_element_abort_state(
        @Ptr
        long element);
   public void abort_state() {
        this.gst_element_abort_state(Pointer.pointerTo(this, GstElement.class).getPeer());
    }
    protected native boolean gst_element_add_pad(
        @Ptr
        long element,
        @Ptr
        long pad);
   public boolean add_pad(Pointer pad) {
        return this.gst_element_add_pad(Pointer.pointerTo(this, GstElement.class).getPeer(), Pointer.getPeer(pad));
   }
   protected native void gst_element_create_all_pads(
        @Ptr
        long element);
    public void create_all_pads() {
        this.gst_element_create_all_pads(Pointer.pointerTo(this, GstElement.class).getPeer());
   }
```

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    Gst.init(null, null);
    Pointer<GMainLoop> mainLoopPointer = GMainLoop._new(null, false).as(GMainLoop.class);
    Pointer<GstElement> playbin = (Pointer<GstElement>)GstElementFactory.make(
            Pointer.pointerToCString("playbin"),
            Pointer.pointerToCString("the_playbin")
    );
    if (playbin == null) {
       System.err.println("The playbin could not be created.");
        return;
    }
   String uri = "file://" + System.getProperty("user.dir") + "/test.ogv";
   System.out.println("Trying to play " + uri);
    GObject.set(
            playbin,
            Pointer.pointerToCString("uri"),
            Pointer.pointerToCString(uri),
            null);
    GstPipeline pipeline = playbin.as(GstPipeline.class).get();
    pipeline.set_state(GstState.GST_STATE_PLAYING);
   GMainLoop mainLoop = mainLoopPointer.get();
    System.out.println("Everything seems OK so far, starting main loop");
    GstBus bus = pipeline.get_bus().get();
    BusWatch busWatch = new BusWatch();
    bus.add_watch(Pointer.pointerTo(busWatch).as(GstBusFunc.class), mainLoopPointer);
    bus.gstobject_unref();
    mainLoop.run();
   //The fun stuff happens, then:
    System.out.println("Main loop finished");
   pipeline.set_state(GstState.GST_STATE_NULL);
   pipeline.gstobject_unref();
}
```

However, it is not finished  $\cdots$ 

- Parsing fails non-deterministically with type reference resolution within a single file.
- Callback parsing and generation not implemented.
- API is not Java-like, it needs another layer on top of the classes generated by the parser.
- Automatic reference counting is missing.

## Things left To Do/Discuss

- 1. Which approach to choose (I lean towards JNA)
- 2. OpenGL integration (GL plugins!)
- 3. Raspberry Pi integration (OpenMAX acceleration?)
- 4. JavaFX support (what about lightweight GStreamer being bundled by Oracle with JavaFX)
- 5. Bundling GStreamer 1.x native libs for OS X and Windows with the Processing video library

### Questions/Comments?

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# …and thank you!



