



A MOBILE MULTIMEDIA CLOUD COMPUTING ON THE WEB

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Abstract

The healthcare industry has begun to utilize web-based systems and cloud computing infrastructure to develop and creating array of online personal health record (PHR) systems. Although these systems provide the technical capacity to store and retrieve medical data in various multimedia formats, including images, ideas, voice, and text, individual patient use remains limited by the lack of intuitive data representation and visualization techniques. As such, further research is necessary to better visualize and present these records, in ways that make the complex medical data more intuitive. In this study, we present a web-based PHR visualization system, called the 3D medical graphical avatar (MGA), which was designed to explore web-based delivery of a wide array of medical data types including multi-dimensional medical images; medical videos; text-based data; and spatial annotations. Mapping information was extracted from each of the data types and was used to embed spatial and textual annotations, such as regions of interest (ROIs) and time-based video annotations. Our MGA itself is built from clinical patient imaging studies, when available. We have taken advantage of the emerging web technologies of HTML5 and WebGL to make our application available to a wider base of users and devices. We analyzed the performance of our proof-of-concept prototype system on mobile and desktop consumer devices. Our initial experiments indicate that our system can render the medical data in a fashion that enables interactive navigation of the MGA

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1. INTRODUCTION

In existing system the healthcare industry has begun to utilize web-based systems and cloud computing infrastructure to develop an increasing array of online personal health record (PHR) systems. Although these systems provide the technical capacity to store and retrieve medical data in various multimedia formats, including images, videos, voice, and text, individual patient use remains. Limited by lack of intuitive data representation and visualization techniques. As such, further research is necessary to better visualize and present these records, in ways that make the complex medical data more intuitive. In proposed system the systems provide the technical capacity to store and retrieve medical data in various multimedia formats, including images, videos, and voice, and text, individual patient use remains Limited by the lack of intuitive data representation and visualization techniques. The healthcare industry has begun to utilize web-based systems and cloud computing infrastructure to develop a creating array of online personal health record (PHR) system. Our data indicate that our MGA is able to display spatial and temporal contextual information, available in all forms of medical data. The patients are provided with such data. Recent PHRs have been designed to serve as user-friendly, patient-facing digital repositories that consolidate an individual's medical history and provide tools for communication.

2. SYSTEM DESIGN

Utilizing available cloud computing and storage resources, we expect a heterogeneous set of Cloud Mobile Media services and applications to emerge, with different types of consumer experiences and advantages enabled. In this section, we first describe the typical end-to-end control and data flow architecture of CMM applications. Next, we categorize the existing and expected CMM applications, and analyze for each category the cloud infrastructure and platform needs, advantages and user experiences enabled, and challenges to make the applications successful. Fig.1 shows the overall architecture, including end-to-end flow of control and data between the mobile devices and the Internet cloud servers, for a typical CMM application. A typical CMM application has a small footprint client on the mobile device, which provides the appropriate user interfaces (gesture, touchscreen, voice, text based) Subsequently, the multimedia data produced by the cloud, either as a result of processing using the cloud computing resources, and/or retrieval from cloud storage resources, is transmitted downlink through the CN and RAN back to the mobile device.

The CMM client then decodes and displays the results on the mobile device display. From the above description, and as shown in Fig. 1, a typical CMM application will be highly interactive, with some types of applications needing near real-time response times. Note that for certain types of CMM applications, the control and data flow may deviate from that shown in Fig. 1. For example, for CMM applications like Cloud based Media Analytics described later, the application may not always be initiated by a mobile CMM client (like in Fig. 1), and may collect data from both the client and the cloud to provide analytics to other CMM applications. This summarizes the different categories of mobile multimedia applications that already are, or can potentially be, driven by the use of the cloud, including storage, download and synchronization applications, audio and video streaming applications, interactive applications like multi-way video Conferencing, interactive advertisements, and mobile remote desktop, rich rendering based applications like mobile multi-user gaming and augmented reality, and cloud based media analytics that will provide better understanding of user preferences and experiences, and drive personalized mobile services. For each category of CMM applications, we list the IaaS and PaaS features that will be needed, including some which are available today, and some that need to be developed. We also list the advantages of each category of CMM applications, including what multimedia experience can be enabled that cannot be supported currently, and the challenges that need to be addressed to make the application category successful.

As discussed before, Mobile Cloud Storage is the most commonly used category of CMM application/service today, with offerings from Amazon, Apple, Dropbox, Funambol, and Google, among others. These services provide diverse capabilities, including storing documents, photos, music and video in the cloud, accessing media from any device anywhere irrespective of the source of the media and/or the device/platform used to generate the media, and synchronizing data/media across multiple devices a typical user owns.

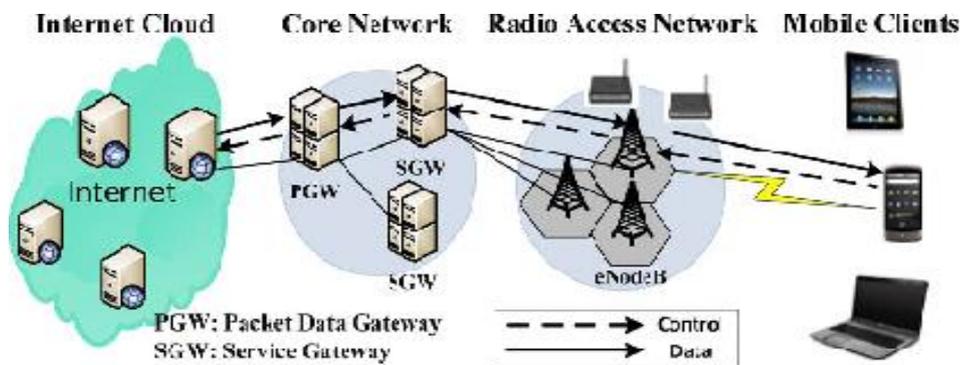


Figure 1. Cloud Mobile Impact of Wireless Network Factors on User Experience



To study the impact of wireless networks on the quality of CMM applications, we conducted experiments with a Cloud Mobile Gaming (CMG) application we have developed, which as described in Section II is a highly interactive cloud based rendering application: gaming commands are transmitted uplink from the mobile device to the cloud servers, and the rendered video needs to be streamed downlink from the server to the mobile client in near real time. Since this application is highly sensitive to response time, we measured uplink delay, downlink delay, and round-trip response time. The experiments were conducted under different network conditions data samples collected under three different conditions: when the network was not loaded (data collected at mid night), when the network was loaded (data collected at 5 pm), and when the network was loaded and the signal conditions were not strong (data collected at 6 pm, and inside a building). Media architecture, showing control and data flows.

3. ADAPTIVE RENDERING PARAMETERS AND SETTINGS

The first step in enabling dynamic game rendering adaptation in the CMG approach is to identify the adaptive rendering parameters and adaptive rendering settings. A game may have many different rendering parameters, but only a few of them have obvious impacts on CommC or CompC. An “adaptive rendering parameter” must be able to adapt at least one of CommC or CompC. An “adaptive rendering setting” is a set of values for the adaptive rendering parameters which affect CommC, CompC or both. As discussed in Section IV-A, reducing the number of objects in the graphic scene file or reducing the complexity of rendering operations could lead to the decreases in CommC and CompC. Based on the above principles, we identify four common parameters which we believe are suitable for rendering adaptation in most 3D games

3.1 REALISTIC EFFECT

Realistic effect basically includes four parameters: color depth, anti-aliasing, texture filtering, and lighting mode. Each of the four parameters only affects part of graphic rendering. Varying any one of them may not reduce the graphic rendering load. Thus when we reduce/increase the realistic effect, we vary all four parameters.

3.2 TEXTURE DETAIL

This is also known as Level of Detail (LOD). It refers to how large and how many textures are used to present objects. The lower texture detail level, the lower resolution the textures have the surfaces of objects get blurred as we decrease the texture detail.

3.3 VIEW DISTANCE

This parameter determines which objects in the camera view will be included in the resulting frame, and thereby should be sent to the display list for graphic rendering.

3.4 ENVIRONMENT DETAIL

Many objects and effects (grass, flowers, and weather) are applied in modern games, to make the virtual world look more realistic. However they are not really necessary for users playing the game. Therefore, we could eliminate some of these objects or effects to reduce CommC and CompC if needed.

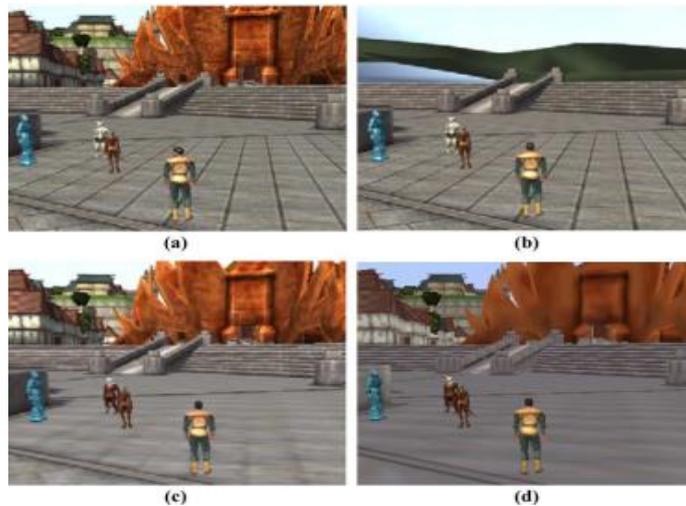


Figure 2. Derivation of the Complexity Model (C)

Having defined adaptive rendering parameters and settings, we next use the game Planeshift (PS) as an example to explain how to derive the complexity model, where we have also elaborately studied how different adaptive rendering settings affect the CommC and CompC. Subsequently, we also have studied the impacts on CommC and CompC when video encoding setting, or video resolution, or server GPU is changed. This will help to demonstrate that the key concept that communication complexity and computation complexity can be affected by different rendering settings is broadly applicable, no matter what kind of video resolution or video encoding setting, and no matter what kind of graphic GPU is used.

4. CHARACTERIZING CommC AND CompC

Four adaptive rendering parameters are selected for game PS, with their possible. We conduct experiments to characterize CommC and CompC for every possible rendering setting obtained using the values of parameters. The experiments are conducted on a desktop server which integrates a NVIDIA Geforce 8300 graphic card. Video resolution used is VGA. The video codec used is X264, and its encoding method is set to Variable Bit Rate (VBR). The Quantization Parameter (QP) is 25, while the encoding frame rate is 15 fps and the size of Group of Pictures (GOP) is 30. We have randomly selected several different gaming scenes. In each test scene, for each rendering setting, we let the game avatar roam in the gaming world along the same route. We measure the average compressed video bit rate and GPU utilization in each experiment test to calculate the CommC and CompC.

5. CONCLUSION

The complexity model we presented above was derived using a certain video encoding setting, video resolution, and GPU. We next investigate the impact of using different video encoding and resolution settings, and different GPUs, on the complexity model. We have conducted experiments and measured CommC and CompC of each rendering setting in three test cases: a) using various encoding settings (different QP and GOP settings), b) using three different resolutions (QVGA, CIF, and VGA), and c) using three different GPUs (Intel GMA4500, NVIDIA 8300, and NVIDIA GTX580). Absolute error distribution and standard deviations of measured CommC and CompC in these test cases. We can observe that the overall variations of CommC and CompC in these different test cases are not significant. Hence, we can conclude that the offline modeling step does not need to characterize the CommC and CompC and create different complexity models for different video resolutions, or video encoding settings, or different platforms.



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