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GStreamer: Activity

Project aim:

- Open-source 'standard' multimedia framework.
- Removing hard-dependencies for applications
- Help resolve the multimedia legal mess.

Features:

- Supports almost all formats
- Allow Open-source and Proprietary to co-exist
- Not just playback...



GStreamer: Challenges

- Still lots of duplicated code in plugins
- Not enough libraries wrapped
- Solving the underlying libraries/API issues (v4l, pulseaudio),
- We need more multimedia use-cases (applications).
- Regression & QA testing (insanity)



GStreamer: Dependencies

- Libraries in use:
 - Core and essential plugins rely only on GLib/libc
 - Many plugins have external dependencies
- Projects that depend on us:
 - GNOME desktop, KDE (through Phonon)
 - Songbird, Elisa, PiTiVi, Istanbul, Cheese, Pidgin, Flumotion, Farsight, and many more...
 - Consumer devices



GStreamer: Next Steps

- Wrap more multimedia libraries through plugins
- More helper libraries
- More base classes
- More applications and use-cases !!!
- World domination :)

