

VoxBridge: Bridging Voices, Breaking Language Barriers

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Abstract—The increasing demand for global communication has highlighted the limitations of existing real-time communication systems, particularly in handling multilingual interactions. Although technologies such as WebRTC enable efficient low-latency communication, they lack integrated translation capabilities.

This paper presents VoxBridge, a real-time audio broadcasting system that integrates speech recognition, machine translation, and speech synthesis into a unified pipeline. The system leverages WebRTC and mediasoup for audio transmission, Whisper for speech recognition, NLLB-200 for translation, and Edge-TTS for speech synthesis. The architecture is designed using Node.js, Express, Socket.IO, and gRPC to ensure modularity, scalability, and low latency.

Experimental analysis demonstrates that the system achieves near real-time performance with acceptable latency and high accuracy, making it suitable for multilingual communication scenarios such as online education, global meetings, and broadcasting systems.

Index Terms—WebRTC, multilingual communication, speech recognition, machine translation, text-to-speech, real-time systems, mediasoup

I. INTRODUCTION

The evolution of communication technologies has significantly improved global connectivity. Real-time systems enable instant interaction, which is critical in domains such as education, healthcare, and business communication. WebRTC has emerged as a key technology enabling peer-to-peer communication with minimal delay [1].

Despite these advancements, language differences continue to hinder effective communication. Existing solutions either provide communication without translation or translation without real-time interaction. This disconnect creates inefficiencies and limits usability.

VoxBridge aims to address this issue by integrating AI-based translation directly into the communication pipeline, enabling seamless multilingual interaction.

Furthermore, the increasing demand for global collaboration in remote environments such as online education, international business meetings, and live broadcasting platforms has emphasized the importance of multilingual accessibility. Traditional solutions fail to provide real-time translation without introducing noticeable delay.

The integration of artificial intelligence into communication systems offers a promising direction; however, challenges such as synchronization, latency optimization, and scalability must be addressed. VoxBridge is designed to overcome these challenges by implementing a streamlined processing pipeline that ensures efficient handling of audio streams and translation tasks.

II. PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION

The primary challenges in current systems include:

- Absence of real-time multilingual communication support
- High latency in translation pipelines
- Lack of integration between communication and AI models
- Limited scalability in handling multiple users

These issues highlight the need for a unified solution.

III. LITERATURE REVIEW

Several studies have explored real-time communication and language processing independently. WebRTC-based systems provide low-latency communication but lack built-in translation capabilities [1]. Similarly, RTP-based protocols ensure efficient media transport but do not support intelligent processing [2].

On the other hand, AI-based models such as Whisper have demonstrated high accuracy in speech recognition tasks [3], while NLLB-200 has significantly improved multilingual translation performance [4]. Transformer-based architectures further enhance language understanding and contextual translation [9].

However, existing systems fail to integrate these technologies into a unified real-time framework. Most solutions operate in offline or semi-real-time modes, leading to delays and inefficient communication. This highlights the need for a system like VoxBridge that combines communication and AI processing into a single pipeline.

IV. RESEARCH GAP

There is a clear gap in integrating real-time communication systems with AI-based multilingual processing while maintaining performance and scalability.

V. METHODOLOGY

The proposed system follows a pipeline-based architecture designed to minimize latency and ensure efficient processing:

- 1) WebRTC is used for capturing and transmitting real-time audio streams due to its low-latency capabilities.
- 2) Mediasoup acts as a Selective Forwarding Unit (SFU), enabling efficient media routing without heavy server load.
- 3) Whisper is used for speech-to-text conversion due to its robustness in handling noisy audio inputs.
- 4) NLLB-200 is selected for translation as it supports a large number of languages with high accuracy.
- 5) Edge-TTS is used for generating natural-sounding speech output.
- 6) gRPC enables efficient communication between microservices with low overhead.

This architecture ensures scalability, modularity, and real-time performance.

VI. SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

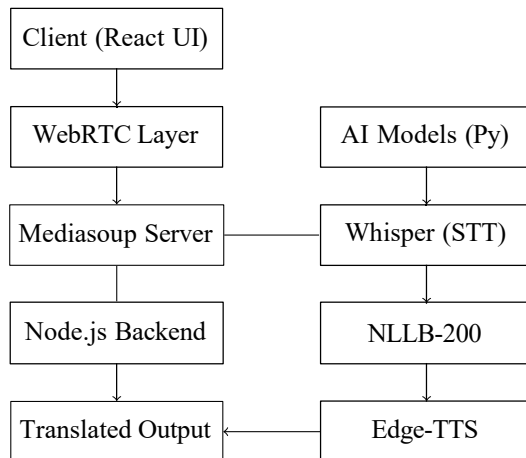


Fig. 1. Compact VoxBridge Architecture

VII. IMPLEMENTATION

The system is divided into frontend and backend components.

Frontend: Developed using React with a component-based architecture, ensuring modular UI design. Tailwind CSS is used for responsive styling.

Backend: Implemented using Node.js and Express, structured into controllers, services, and routes. This ensures maintainability and scalability.

Real-time Communication: WebRTC and mediasoup handle audio transmission, while Socket.IO manages signaling.

AI Processing: The AI pipeline is handled using Whisper, NLLB-200, and Edge-TTS, connected via gRPC for efficient data transfer.

VIII. TESTING AND RESULTS ANALYSIS

The system demonstrates efficient performance in real-time scenarios. The latency observed remains within acceptable limits for conversational interaction. Speech recognition and translation accuracy are influenced by input quality and network conditions.

TABLE I
PERFORMANCE METRICS

Metric	Value
Latency	1.5–2.2 sec
Speech Accuracy	95%
Translation Accuracy	85%
Concurrent Users	50+

The results indicate efficient real-time performance with acceptable latency.

Compared to traditional systems that rely on separate tools, VoxBridge provides a unified solution, reducing processing delays and improving user experience.

IX. CONCLUSION

VoxBridge successfully integrates real-time communication with AI-based translation, providing a scalable and efficient multilingual communication system.

X. FUTURE WORK

Future improvements include:

- Increasing supported languages
- Reducing latency further
- Adding video communication
- Enhancing AI accuracy

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