

Software compatibility and human interface for DV over IP

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Targets of this research

- ◆ Providing high quality video communication tool for MacOSX
- ◆ Providing user friendly interface

Available video communication tools

- ◆ DVTS
- ◆ Netmeeting
- ◆ CUSeeMe
- ◆ etc.

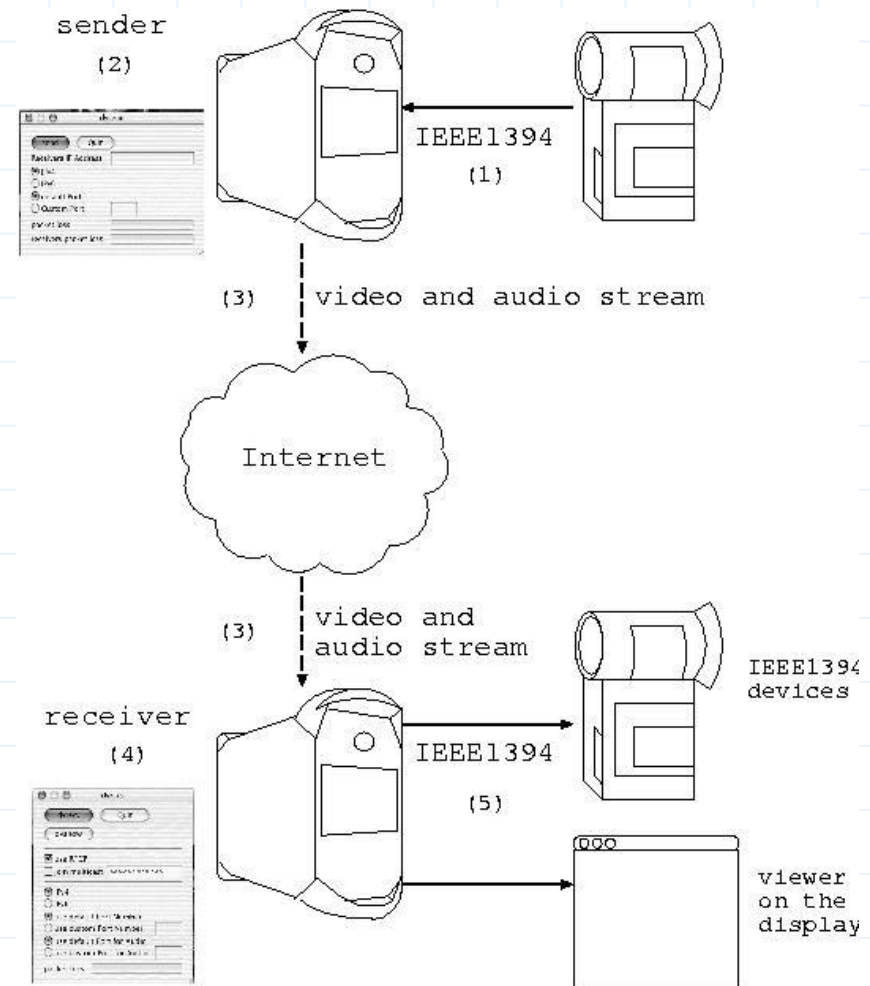
Why DVTS?

- ◆ Transports TV quality video
- ◆ Uses consumer AV devices
- ◆ Open source
 - Written in C language

What is DVTS? 1/2

◆ Digital Video Transport System

- Transmitting DV streams from a connected Firewire devices
 - ◆ RTP(Real-time Transport Protocol), RTCP(RTP Control Protocol)
- Supported platforms
 - ◆ BSD, Linux, MacOSX, Windows



What is DVTS? 2/2

- ◆ Uses consumer AV devices
 - DV cameras
 - Digital-Analog media converters
 - etc.

The former DVTS 1/2

◆ Based on CUI(Character User Interface)

- Using CUI to install

- ◆ Ex.> Running “make”

- ◆ Users must apply a patch to their mother OS and recompile its kernel

- Using CUI to Configure

➡ Such processes make DVTS
hard to approach
for traditional MacOS user

The former DVTS 2/2

- ❖ Lacks the functions to playback video streams on the screen

Machine & OS characteristics

- ◆ Each OS has different interface to interact with an application
 - Developers should implement an Application based on culture of Mother OS
 - ◆ UNIX(Linux, *BSD) : CUI with keyboard
 - ◆ MacOS:GUI with mouse

GUI Requirements for DVTS on MacOSX

◆ Installation

- With simple “Drag & Drop” install wizard

◆ Running application

- With simple mouse and keyboard operation

Design of DVTS on MacOSX

◆ Using DVTS without difficulty

- Implementation based on GUI
 - ◆ To control DVTS only with the mouse operation except when inserting IP address

◆ Video playback window

- To monitor video on the screen

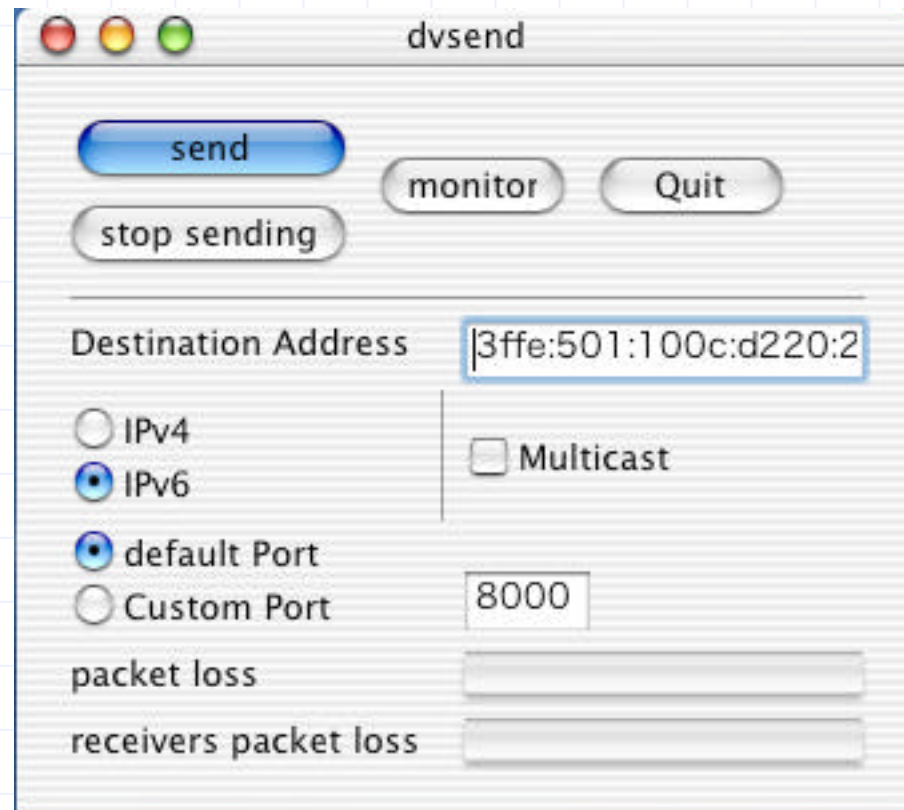
Design outline of DVTS on MacOSX (sender) 1/4

- User connects FireWire devices to a sender machine



Design outline of DVTS on MacOSX (sender)2/4

- Configure application by adding an option to the sender



Design outline of DVTS on MacOSX (sender)3/4

- The sender reads DV from the connected FireWire device.

Design outline of DVTS on MacOSX (sender) 4/4

- The sender adds IP, UDP and RTP header to the data



Design outline(receiver)

- ◆ User sets options on the receiver system
- ◆ Select output device, the connected FireWire device or the viewer

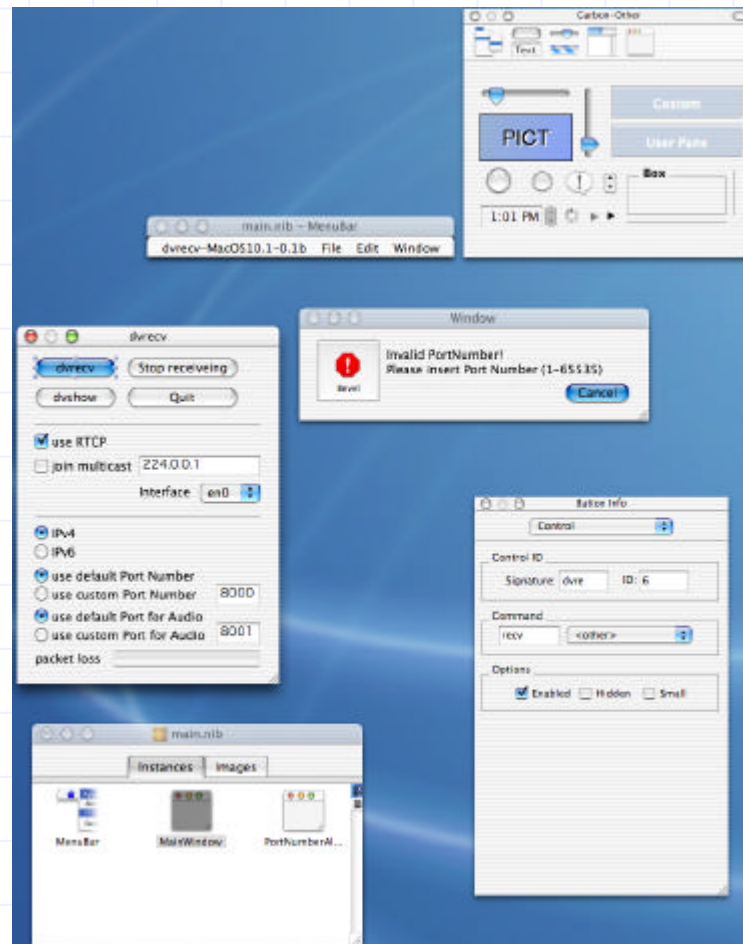


Project Builder



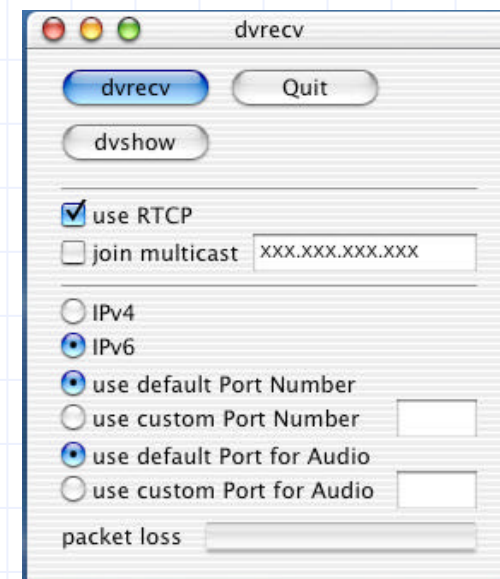
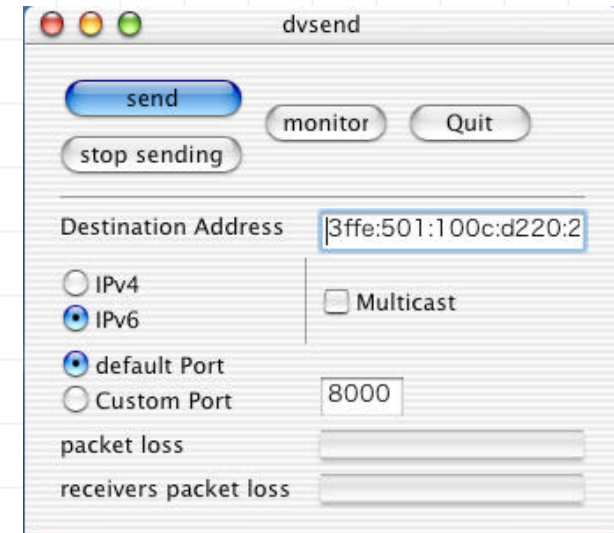
Tools for implementing new DVTS 2/2

◆ Interface Builder



Implementation (interface) 1/4

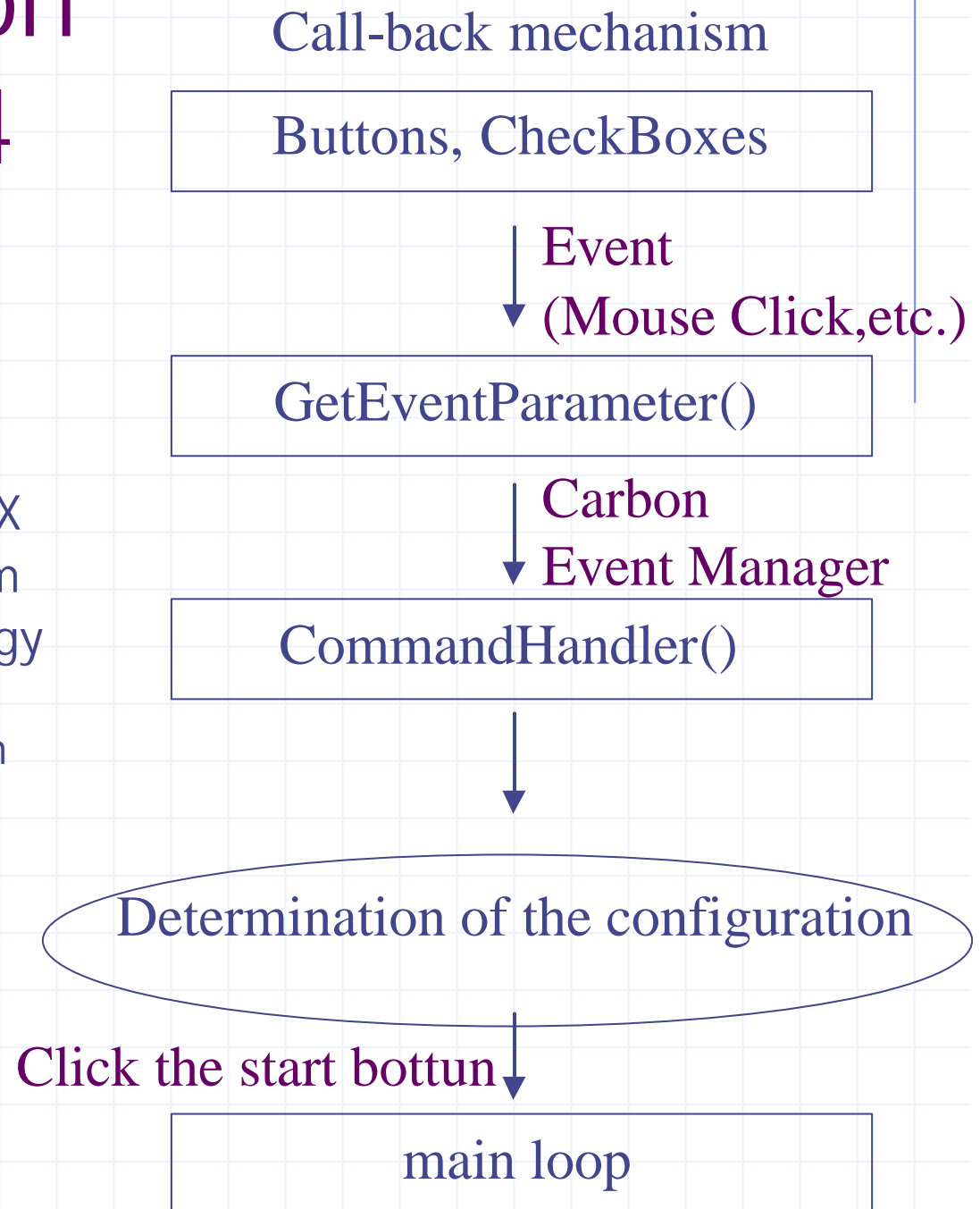
Sender	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Start sending packet◆ Quit Application Loop◆ Input IP Address of receiver◆ Send using IPv4 or IPv6◆ Use default or custom Port Number
Receiver	<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ Start receiving packet◆ Quit Application Loop◆ Start drawing received movie (dvshow)◆ Join multicast◆ Receive using IPv4 or IPv6◆ Use default or custom Port Number



Implementation (controller)2/4

◆ Carbon

- C programming interface for MacOSX
- Call-back mechanism
- Usable the technology of MacOSX
 - ◆ Memory protection
 - ◆ Preemptive multitasking
 - ◆ Dynamic resource assignment
 - ◆ etc.



Implementation (controller on sender) 3/4

Start Application & Send the DV stream

The former DVTS
(not using Carbon
Thread Manager)

Enter the command

Read & Send loop

The New DVTS
(using Carbon
Thread Manager)

Press “Send” Command

Window thread

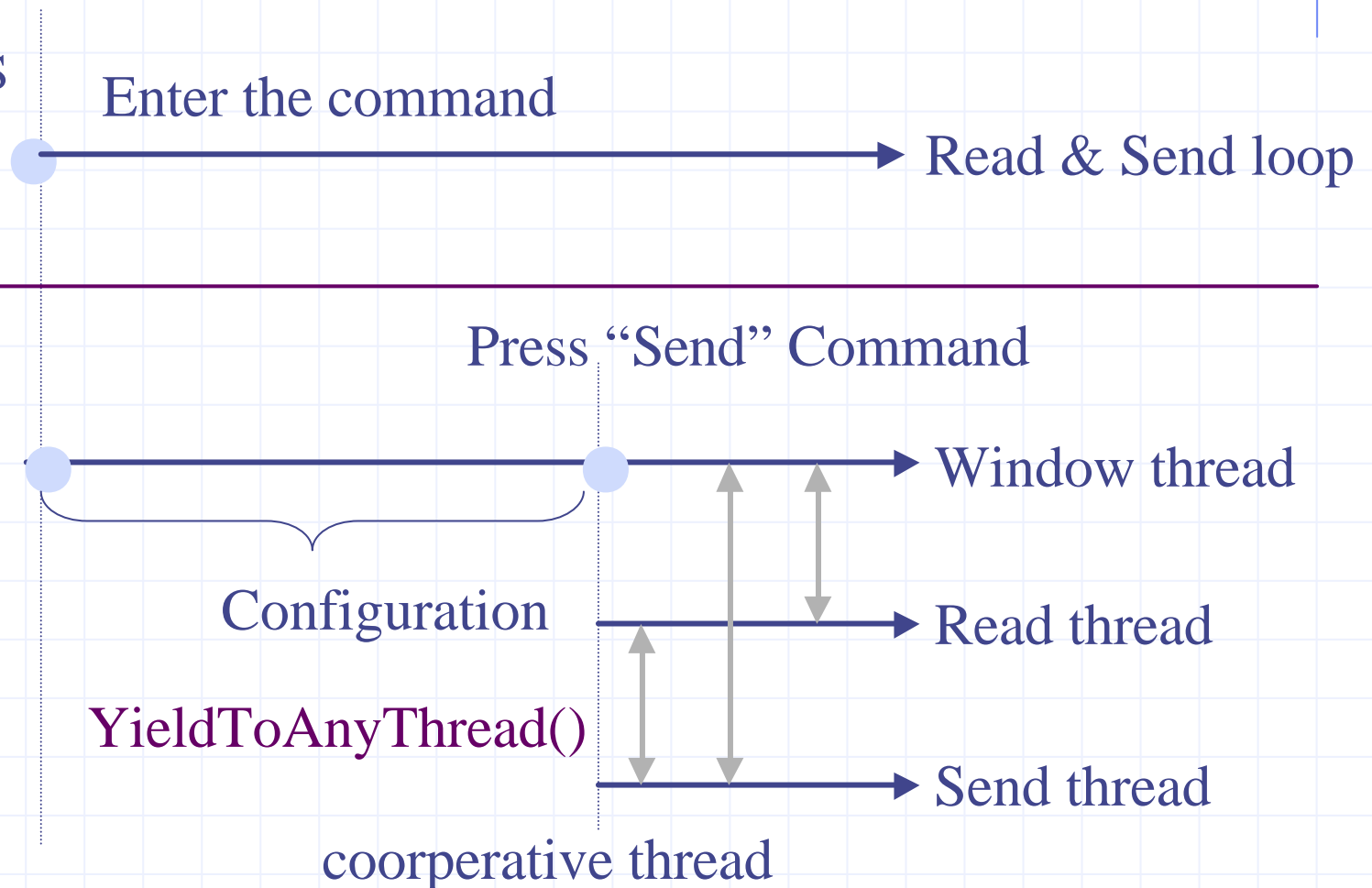
Configuration

Read thread

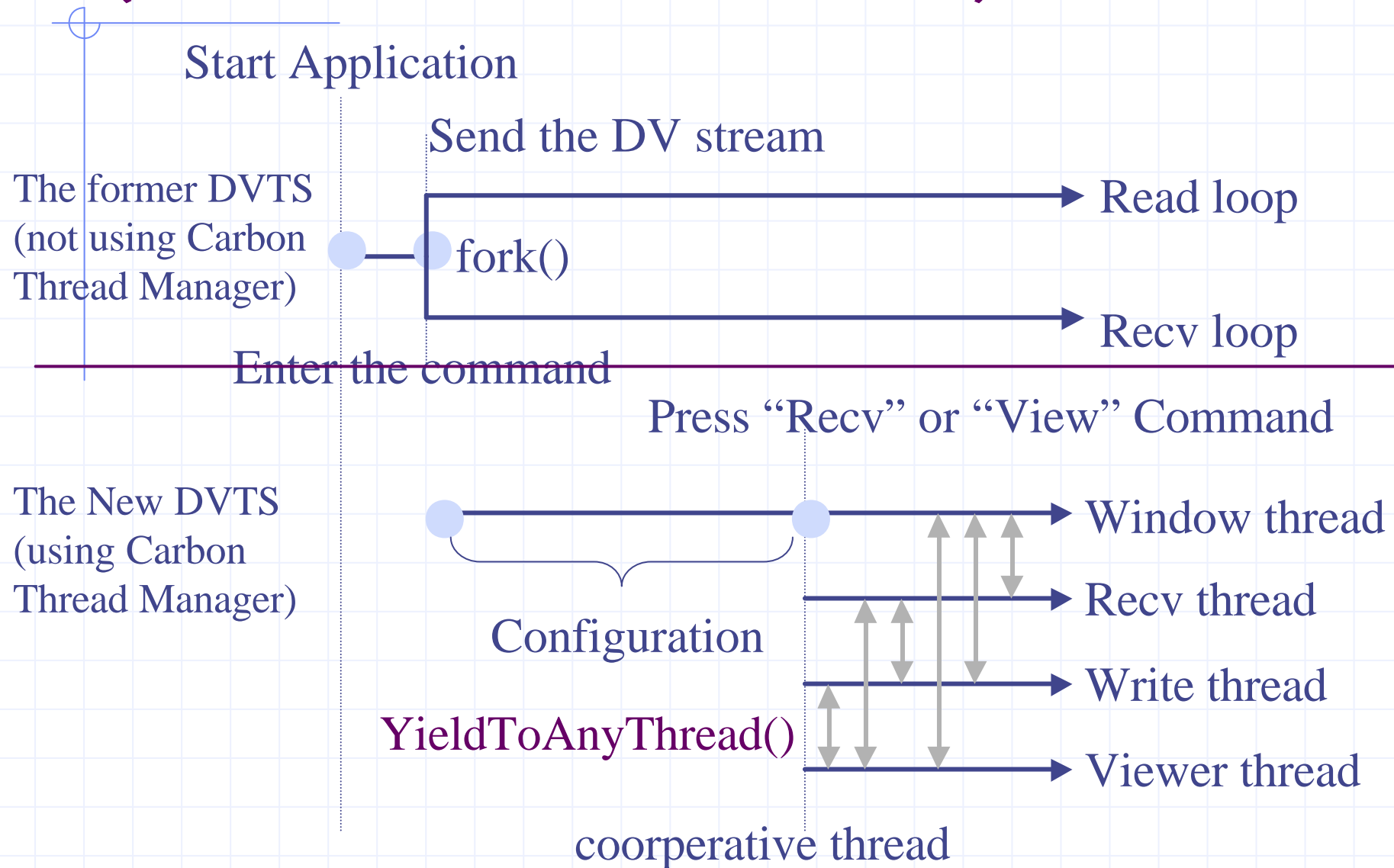
YieldToAnyThread()

Send thread

cooperative thread

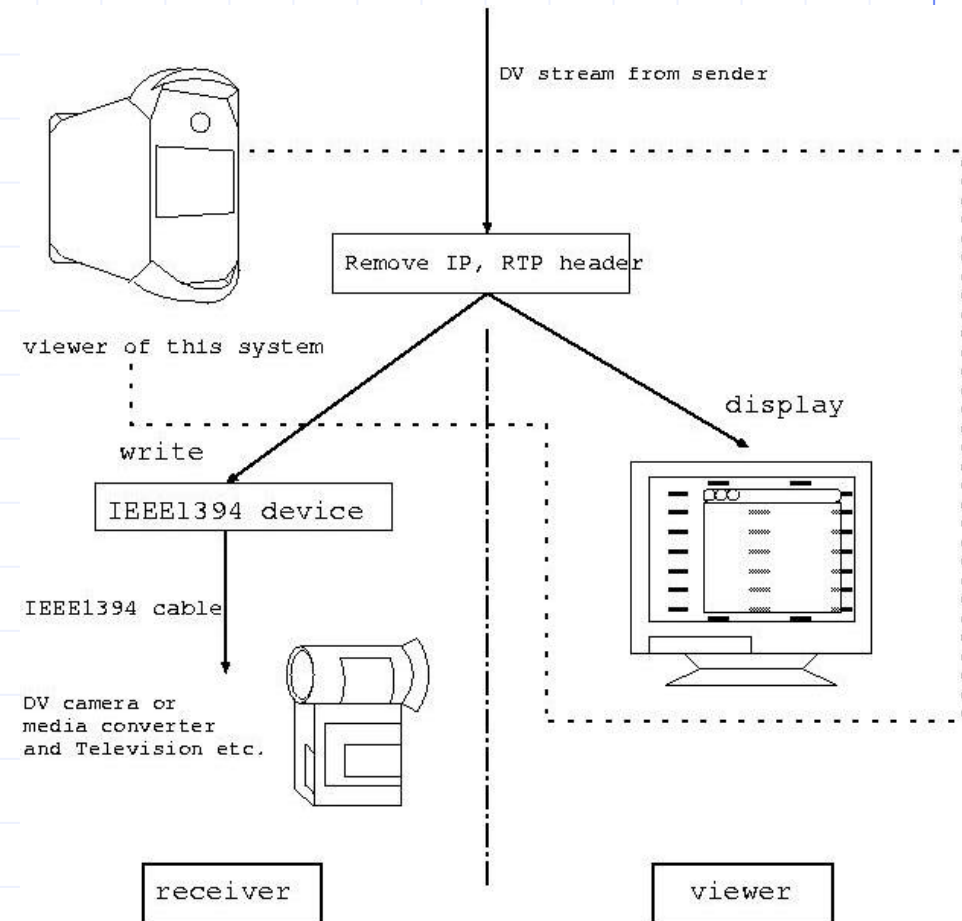


Implementation (controller on receiver) 4/4



Implementation (video playback window)

- ◆ QuickTime framework
 - Movie Toolbox
- ◆ Integration receiver and viewer
 - The output of the DV stream will be redirected from FireWire devices to the viewer window



Comparing the former DVTS to this system

Steps	The former DVTS	This system
1	Downloads the source code from the site	Downloads the diskimage from the site
2	Uncompresses the archive and extract package manually	Click diskimage file stored in the directory
3	Enter“./configure”in the extracted directory	Drag the system from “disk image” and drop it to the hard disc
4	Enter“make”to construct a binary	Click the application to run the sender
5	“make install” to install the application to the application to the binary directory	Click the application to start receiving
6	“dvrecv -h” to see the command line options	
7	The user manually adds the option to the command, for example “dvrecv -4LR”	

Conclusion

- ◆ Provides standard MacOSX interface
 - Concealing Unix command line input method
 - Easy-to-use high quality video transport system
- ◆ Monitoring mechanism of the video image

Impression of porting DVTS

- ◆ Porting from UNIX ware(written in C language) to MacOSX is relatively simple
 - However
 - ◆ Unsatisfied documents on Carbon
 - ◆ Distinctive threads when using GUI

Release

- ◆ Still implementing the viewer
- ◆ Still debugging others
- ◆ Scheduled for release on February
<http://www.sfc.wide.ad.jp/DVTS>