N-SQUARED SOFTWARE Introduction to N2SRP INAP-Controlled IVR

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What is N2SRP?

N2SRP is an INAP-Controlled SIP IVR platform...
 ...a "Specialized Resource Platform" (ITU-T Q.1200)

- The key features of an SRP are:
 - > Voice Channels are controlled using SIP to a core network soft-switch.
 - > Voice Channel Audio is carried over RTP to a core network interface.
 - Voice Interaction controlled by INAP or CAP from an Intelligent Network SCP.

In the SRP model, Voice Service Logic is executed on the SCP, where it is centralized and consistent across voice and non-voice channels (e.g. SMS, USSD, Data, Diameter, SOAP, XML, etc.)



N2SRP (An INAP-Controlled SIP IVR)

This Presentation describes N2SRP

-- our INAP-Controlled SIP IVR platform.



This Presentation does not describe N2IVR

-- our Standalone SIP IVR platform.





When to use a SRP?

- An SRP is used when:
 - >Implementing voice services which are controlled by an INAP SCP.
 - > When the voice service needs to Play Announcements.
 - >When the voice service needs to Prompt for DTMF Input.

• Typical Services using an SRP are:

- >Announcements & Menus for Toll-Free, Premium, UAN, Tele-Voting.
- Service Announcements for IN-Controlled Pre-Paid & Calling Card.
- Self-Management for IN Services low balance, balance query, friends & family, CUG, product type swap, voucher redeem, credit-card top-up, etc.



Features of the N-Squared N2SRP

- High-Availability (N+1 Redundancy).
- Linear Scalability for additional capacity and geo-distribution.
- Generic x86-64 Hardware (Virtualized or Bare Metal).
- Pluggable support for additional Languages.
- Cost-Effective SIP/RTP trunking.
- Control via:
 - >INAP/CAP over TCAP, SIGTRAN (M3UA+SCCP or SUA), or
 - > Option for Standalone Logic for non-INAP service implementation.

Deployment



Example Redundant Platforms

- Redundant Hosts for HA
 - N+1 Active/Active
 - Linear Scalable
- Single Point of Configuration
 - Convenient & Consistent
 - Secondary nodes are Standby
- Direct Real-Time Monitoring
 - Maximum Responsiveness
 - Maximum Resilience





Example Redundant Network

- Voice bonded network for Real-Time RTP Audio communication.
- Operations & Management bonded network for Admin, Announcement Management, Monitoring, and Backup.
- SIGTRAN primary and secondary connections to Core Network, and SIP Session Management.





Interfaces

Network Integration

- 1. SIP to MSC (RFC 3261)
- 2. RTP to MSC (RFC 3550)
- 3. INAP to SCP (ETS 300 374-1)
 - SCTP (RFC 2960)
 - M3UA (RFC 4666), or
 - SUA (RFC 3868)
 - TCAP (ITU-T Q.771-775)

OSS & BSS Integration

- A. Alarm via SNMPv2 (RFC 3416)
- B. Stats via Etsy StatsD
- C. Platform Admin via HTTP/S
- D. Configuration GUI, HTTP/S
- E. Configuration API, RESTful over HTTP/S

Note: Interfaces are implemented to the extent necessary to support advertised features. Refer to the product Protocol Conformance Statement documentation for details.

User Interfaces

Configuration User Interface

The Configuration User Interface manages audio files, and maps the Announcement IDs used by the INAP SCP for controlling interactions.

The interface is pure-web with support for all modern browsers and tablets (without Java/Flash/ActiveX/Citrix).

Audio files can be uploaded, downloaded, or played from within the browser.

The UI performs automatic audio filetype detection and conversion.

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Configuration UI (cont.)

The N2SRP supports fine-grained security, as required for MVNO/MVNE sites where a single hardware SRP platform is shared by multiple coresident operators.

This can also be relevant where Testing and Production share a single SRP platform, or when the announcement platform is connected to multiple different Intelligent Networking environments.

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Monitoring User Interface

The run-time service execution environment for N2SRP offers an HTTP/S port to perform monitoring and system administration activities using any modern web browser.

The interface allows access to:

- □ In-Progress Call Instances.
- In-Progress SIP Txns & Dialogs.
- □ Working Configuration.
- Current Statistics.
- Trace Logs for Call Instances.

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Monitoring UI (cont.)

Tracing mode can be activated for Call Instances. Call Tracing Logs are stored in memory and can be accessed over the HTTP/S Monitoring UI.

The trace output shows:

- Protocol Messages In/Out.
- Debug/Dump-level Output.
- Warnings/Errors.

Timestamps & Statistics.

2018-06-05 16:55:54.503993 N2::Application [trace.debug] Incrementing internal stats 'instance.start'. Local value now = 1. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp_from_uac] INVITE sip:9999211@10.42.2.251:5060 SIP/2.0 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] Via: SIP/2.0/UDP vagabond:5061;branch=z9hG4bK2073916970 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] From: sip:mss@vagabond:tag=2073622734 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] User-Agent: N-Squared MSS 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] Content-Length: 437 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp_from_uac] Content-Type: application/sdp 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] Call-ID: 2073947399@vagabond 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp_from_uac] Contact: sip:mss@vagabond 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] CSeq: 1 INVITE 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] To: sip:9999211@10.42.2.251:5060 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] v=0 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] o=jcouper 1949 2714 IN IP4 10.42.2.251 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] s=Talk 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] c=IN IP4 10.42.2.251 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] t=0 0 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp_from_uac] m=audio 7078 RTP/AVP 124 111 110 0 8 101 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp_from_uac] a=rtpmap:124 opus/48000 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] a=fmtp:124 useinbandfec=1; usedtx=1 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] a=rtpmap:111 speex/16000 [sip.srp from uac] a=fmtp:111 vbr=on 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] a=rtpmap:110 speex/8000 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] a=fmtp:110 vbr=on 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp_from_uac] a=rtpmap:101 telephone-event/8000 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] a=fmtp:101 0-11 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] m=video 9078 RTP/AVP 103 99 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] a=rtpmap:103 VP8/90000 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] a=rtpmap:99 MP4V-ES/90000 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504027 n2svcd [sip.srp from uac] a=fmtp:99 profile-level-id=3 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504233 SipApp::SipConnection [trace.debug] New SipServerTxn was sent by 10.42.2.251:5061. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504343 SipApp::SipServerTxn [trace.debug] No rport. Sent-By 'vagabond' will become explicit in Via 'received'. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504397 SipApp::SipServerTxn [trace.debug] Handling Request Method for new INVITE Transaction. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504446 SipApp::SipServerTxn [trace.debug] Initial INVITE From header (remote) tag = '2073622734'. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504520 SrpApp::SrpInstance [trace.debug] Called Party '9999211' has CorrelationID (3 digits) = '921'. SCP ID (1 digits) = '1'. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504689 SipApp::SipInstance [trace.debug] We need an RTP Worker now. Grab one from the pool. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504729 SipApp::SipInstance [trace.debug] RTP [Worker-2] Assigning Session ID = 921, Session Version = 1528174554. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504751 SipApp::SipInstance [trace.debug] RTP [Worker-2] Server Address [10.42.2.251:6970]. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504772 SipApp::SipInstance [trace.debug] RTP [Worker-2] Client Address [10.42.2.251:7078]. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504811 SipApp::SipInstance [trace.debug] RTP [Worker-2] INVITE SDP included telephone-event/8000 encoding id [101]. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504846 SipApp::SipInstance [trace.debug] Using 200 OK for DTMF Detection 'local'. Needs SDP 'a=sendrecv'. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504865 SipApp::SipInstance [trace.debug] Requesting RTP worker to prepare. Will send INVITE response as soon as preparation is complete. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.504973 N2::Application::Worker [trace.debug] Application sending [4 + 176] bytes message to worker process. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505084 SipApp::SipServerTxn [trace.debug] No response sent yet. Send 100 Result. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505263 SipApp::SipServerTxn [trace.debug] SIP Server Transaction INVITE State Change <undef> -> SERVER:INVITE:PROCEEDING. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505293 SipApp::SipServerTxn [trace.debug] Sending SIP INVITE Response Code 100 in State SERVER:INVITE:PROCEEDING. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505313 SipApp::SipServerTxn [trace.debug] UDP Reply to Via Received Host '10.42.2.251', Via Sent-By Port = 5061 (or default). 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505435 SipApp::SipInstance [trace.debug] Skipping EDR Logging for A-Leg INVITE Response Code 100. 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505462 n2svcd [sip.srp_to_uac] SIP/2.0 100 Trying [sip.srp_to_uac] Via: SIP/2.0/UDP vagabond:5061;received=10.42.2.251;branch=z9hG4bK2073916970 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505462 n2svcd 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505462 n2svcd [sip.srp to uac] From: sip:mss@vagabond;tag=2073622734 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505462 n2svcd [sip.srp to uac] User-Agent: N-Squared SRP 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505462 n2svcd [sip.srp to uac] Content-Length: 0 [sip.srp to uac] Call-ID: 2073947399@vagabond 2018-06-05 16:55:54.505462 n2svcd 2018-06-05 16:55:54 505462 p2svcd [sip.srp to wac] CSeq: 1 INVITE

Message Flows



Message Flows



The Call is initiated by the MSC using INAP InitialDP to the SCP.

The SCP requests the MSC with EstablishTemporaryConnection to open a SIP channel to the SRP using SIP INVITE.

The SRP contacts the SCP to request further instructions using INAP AssistRequestInstructions.



Message Flows (cont.)

SIP Play Announcement



After the SRP has contacted the SCP, it can be instructed to Play Announcement over INAP.

The SRP concatenates audio fragments to construct the complete audio response.

Concatenation rules for numbers, dates, time and currency are different for each language.



Message Flows (cont.)

SIP Prompt and Collect
MSC SCP N2SRF
ref
IVR setup or other interaction
INAP PromptAndCollectUserInformation
- Collection Info - Announcement ID/s - Variable Parts (opt.) - Language ID (opt.)
RTP Audio Packets (heard by user)
RTP Audio Packets (analyzed for DTMF)
RTP Event Packets (analyzed for DTMF)
alt [Sufficient DTMF Collected]
INAP PACUI-Result
[Timeout, No/Insufficient DTMF]
INAP ReturnError for PACUI
refOther interaction or IVR teardown

A Prompt and Collect instruction from the SCP requires the SRP to perform DTMF detection.

Some MSCs are capable of performing DTMF detection in hardware.

If the MSC does not support this, the SRP will use Fast Fourier Transform analysis in software.



Message Flows (cont.)



The SCP is responsible for deciding when the SRP interaction session is over.

DisconnectForwardConnection is sent to the MSC, which uses SIP BYE to tear down the voice channel to the SRP node.

Conclusion