The pathway to Chromium on Wayland

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History

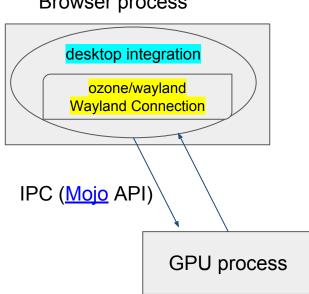
- Started by Intel off the trunk
 - Entered in 'maintenance mode'.
 - The version was based on m49.
- Igalia started Wayland-support with Mus
 - Extended Mus and Ozone to support 'External Window' mode.
- Moved to AURA desktop integration without Mus
 - Comply with the plan from upstream.
 - Simpler design.



History - Design Comparison

Intel w/ mus Browser process Browser process Browser process **Desktop integration** desktop integration ozone/wayland aura/mus ozone/wayland IPC (Mojo API) NPC (Mojo API) IPC (old API) ozone / wayland ozone platform Wayland connection wayland connection **UI Service GPU** process

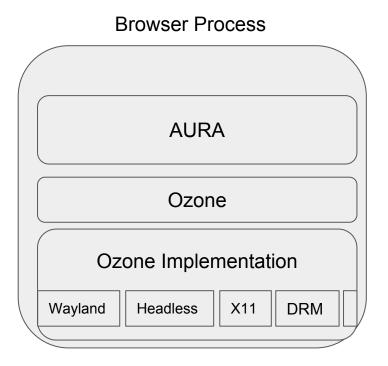
AURA Desktop Integration





Aura Desktop Integration

- Moved the design without Mus.
 - Dropped the changes for Musintegration.
 - Dropped Mojo IPC for communicating with Mus.
 - Reused Wayland port implementation.
 - ui/ozone/platform/wayland
 - Figured out the changes we have to keep.
 - Re-implemented some changes.
- Continued to support Wayland.





Current Status (Upstream)

- Upstreamed patches allowed to run Ozone/Wayland from ToT (some functionality still has been missing). You can
 - Launch Chromium with '--ozone-platform=wayland'.
 - Do regular multi tabbed/windowed browsing
 - Open popup menus and tooltips.
 - Have a separate GPU process.
- Upstreamed ~89% of existing Ozone/Wayland patches.
 - Tracking with crbug.com/578890
- Upstreamed the GPU/Browser process split patches:
 - Including refactoring of the Ozone/Drm to share GBM related code with Ozone/Wayland
 - Upstreamed other related patches.

Current Status (Upstream)

- Window states
 - Maximize / Minimize / Fullscreen
- Session restore (including windows' bounds and placement)
- Touch events support
- Fixed content_shell support
- Added menu/submenu windows support
- Maksim Sisov and Antonio Gomes are owners of Ozone/Wayland now.



Current Status (Downstream)

- Window Interactions
 - Move/Resize (under review for upstream)
- Implemented additional features
 - Drag and Drop: WIP
 - Copy and Paste : WIP
- File Dialog
 - Reused SelectFileDialogsExtension



GPU/Browser process split

Goal:

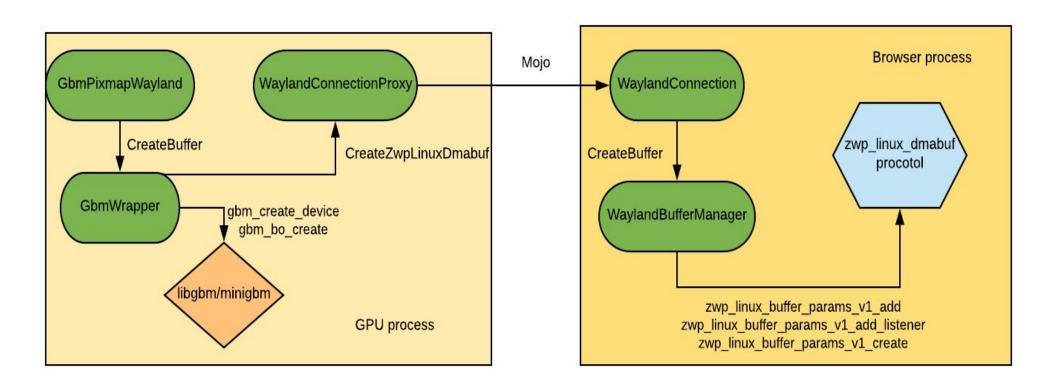
- Run a separate sandboxed GPU process,
- Be able to use GpuMemoryBuffer framework,
- Improve overall performance.



Design

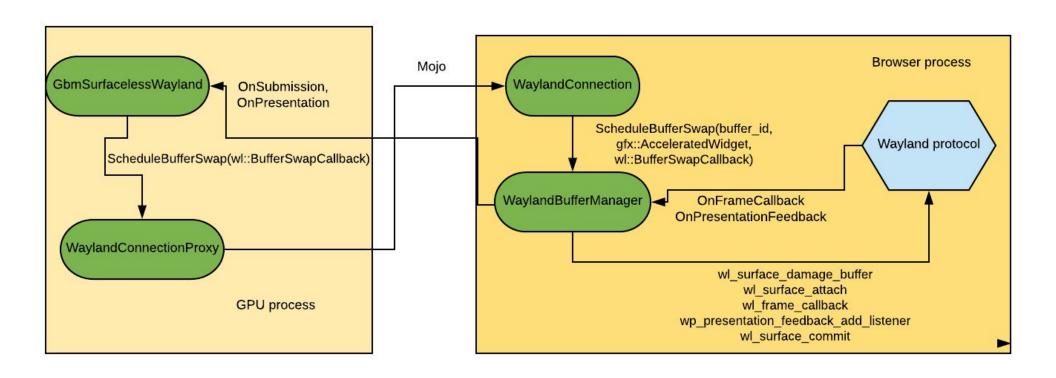
- Uses Generic Buffer Management (GBM) with drm render nodes on the GPU process,
- Imports prime fds and sends them to the browser process,
- zwp_linux_dmabuf protocol is used to create
 wl_buffers based on the send dmabuf prime fds.
- wl_surface_buffer_damage is used to identify changed parts of the buffer.
- The communication between processes is done with Mojo.

How buffers are created





How buffers are swapped





GPU/Browser process split

Outcome:

- ~10 FPS (~30 vs ~40 FPS) performance gain in the WebGL Aquarium demo on the Renesa R-car M3 board running with yocto image based on the meta-renesas' sumo branch compared to --in-process-gpu mode.
- Ability to use GpuMemoryBuffers framework and CPU_READ_WRITE* buffer usages,
- Chromium security model is followed.



Plans

- Enable native gpu memory buffers support:
 - Better performance with css and skia draws. (under review)
- Improve the GPU/Browser process split:
 - Add missing support for presentation feedback. (DONE)
 - Add Vulkan support.
- Support Tab dragging.
- Upstream all the Ozone/Wayland patches + Ozone/X11 patches.
- Ensure there are no differences for end-users compared to stock Chromium.



Plans (cont.)

- Add PlatformScreen. (crbug.com/872339)
- Add ClipboardOzone support. (crbug.com/875168)
- Add multi-screen support.
- Support non-english keyboard layouts.
- Enable tests in a ToT buildbot.
 - unit_tests, browser_tests
- Integration with AGL
 - analyzing and fixing performance problems of Chromium in AGL.
 - Support Chromium as WebEngine for Web Runtime.



Demonstration

- Chromium ToT
- Chromium/Wayland Project from github
 - Linux Desktop
 - Renesas M3 board



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