5 Lectures on Peer-peer and Application-level Networking Advanced System Topics 2004

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> > 791N course ..

O.Introduction

- p Background
- $\boldsymbol{\rho}$ Motivation
- $\boldsymbol{\rho}$ outline of the lectures



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Focus at the <u>application</u> level



Peer-peer applications

- Napster, Gnutella, Freenet: file sharing
- ρ ad hoc networks
- p multicast overlays (e.g., video distribution)



- ρ Q: What are the new technical challenges?
- Q: What new services/applications enabled?
- ρ Q: Is it just "networking at the application-level"?
 - $_{\mu}\,$ "There is nothing new under the Sun" (William Shakespeare)



Course Lecture Contents

- ρ Introduction
 - μ Client-Server v. P2P
 - μ File Sharing/Finding
 - μ Napster
 - μ Gnutella
- P Overlays and QueryRouting
 - μ RON
 - μ Freenet
 - μ Publius

- p Distributed HashTables
 - $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ Chord
 - μ CAN
 - μ Tapestry
- ρ Middleware
 - μ JXTA
 - μ ESM
 - μ Overcast
 - ρ Applications
 - μ Storage
 - n Conferencina

<u>Client Server v. Peer to Peer(1)</u>

- ρ RPC/RMI
- ρ Synchronous
- p Assymmetric
- Emphasis on language integration and binding models (stub *IDL/XDR* compilers etc)
- Kerberos style
 security access
 control, crypto

- ρ Messages
- ρ Asynchronous
- ρ Symmetric
- P Emphasis on service location, content addressing, application layer routing.
- Anonymity, high availability, integrity.
- P Harder to get right[©]

Client Server v. Peer to Peer(2)

RPC

```
Cli call(args)
Srv main loop()
  while(true) {
   deque(call)
   switch(call.procid)
   case 0:
   call.ret=proc1(call.args)
   case 1:
   call.ret=proc2(call.args)
   ... ... ...
   default:
   call.ret = exception
   }
}
```

Client Server v. Peer to Peer(3)

P2P

```
Peer main loop()
{
  while(true) {
  await(event)
  switch(event.type) {
  case timer expire: do some p2p work()
       randomize timers
       break;
  case inbound message: handle it
       respond
       break;
  default: do some book keeping
       break;
   }
}
```

<u>Peer to peer systems actually</u> <u>old</u>

- ρ IP routers are peer to peer.
- p Routers discover topology, and maintain it
- P Routers are neither client nor server
- $\rho\,$ Routers continually chatter to each other
- P Routers are fault tolerant, inherently
- ρ Routers are autonomous

Peer to peer systems

- P Have no distinguished role
- ρ So no single point of bottleneck or failure.
- P However, this means they need distributed algorithms for
 - μ Service discovery (name, address, route, metric, etc)
 - ${\boldsymbol{\mu}}$ Neighbour status tracking
 - µ Application layer routing (based possibly on content, interest, etc)
 - $\ensuremath{\,\mu}$ Resilience, handing link and node failures
 - μ Etc etc etc

Ad hoc networks and peer2peer

- p Wireless ad hoc networks have many similarities to peer to peer systems
- ρ No a priori knowledge
- ρ No given infrastructure
- P Have to construct it from "thin air"!
- P Note for later wireless☺

Overlays and peer 2 peer

systems

- P2p technology is often used to create overlays which offer services that could be offered in the IP level
- p Useful deployment strategy
- Often economically a way around other barriers to deployment
- P Itself was an overlay (on telephone core infrastructure)
- p Evolutionary path!!!

Rest of lectures oriented 14 case studies from literature

- ρ Piracy^H^H^H^H^H^content sharing $\textcircled{\sc {\odot}}$
- Napster
- 🗖 Gnutella
- 🗆 etc

1. NAPSTER

- ρ The most (in)famous
- Not the first (c.f. probably Eternity, from Ross Anderson in Cambridge)
- ρ But instructive for what it gets right, and
- ρ Also wrong...
- Also has a political message...and economic
 and legal...etc etc etc

Napster

- ρ program for sharing files over the Internet
- p a "disruptive" application/technology?
- p history:
 - μ 5/99: Shawn Fanning (freshman, Northeasten U.) founds Napster Online music service
 - μ 12/99: first lawsuit
 - μ 3/00: 25% UWisc traffic Napster
 - μ 2000: est. 60M users
 - µ 2/01: US Circuit Court of Appeals: Napster knew users violating copyright laws
 - μ 7/01: # simultaneous online users:

Napster 160K, Gnutella: 40K, Morpheus: 300K



Napster: how does it work

Application-level, client-server protocol over pointto-point TCP

Four steps:

- ρ Connect to Napster server
- p Upload your list of files (push) to server.
- p Give server keywords to search the full list with.
- p Select "best" of correct answers. (pings)



 File list is uploaded



Napster

2. User requests search at server.







4. User retrieves file



Napster messages

General Packet Format

[chunksize] [chunkinfo] [data...]

CHUNKSIZE:

Intel-endian 16-bit integer size of [data...] in bytes

CHUNKINFO: (hex) Intel-endian 16-bit integer.

- 00 login rejected
- 02 login requested
- 03 login accepted
- 0D challenge? (nuprin1715)
- 2D added to hotlist
- 2E browse error (user isn't online!) 90 join channel
- 2F user offline

- 5B whois query
- 5C whois result
- 5D whois: user is offline!
- 69 list all channels
- 6A channel info
- 91 leave channel

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Napster: requesting a file

```
SENT to server (after logging in to server)
  2A 00 CB 00 username
     "C:\MP3\REM - Everybody Hurts.mp3"
RFCFIVFD
   5D 00 CC 00 username
     2965119704 (IP-address backward-form = A.B.C.D)
     6699 (port)
     "C:\MP3\REM - Everybody Hurts.mp3" (song)
     (32-byte checksum)
                               SENT to client
     (line speed)
[connect to A.B.C.D:6699]
                                  Myusername
                                  "C:\MP3\REM - Everybody Hurts.mp3"
RECEIVED from client
                                  0 (port to connect to)
  31 00 00 00 00 00
                                RECEIVED from client
SENT to client
                                  (size in bytes)
  GET
                                SENT to server
RECEIVED from client
                                  00 00 DD 00 (give go-ahead thru server)
  00 00 00 00 00 00
                                RECEIVED from client
                                  [DATA]
```

Napster: architecture notes

p centralized server:

- ${}_{\mu}$ single logical point of failure
- $\ensuremath{\,\,{}_{\mu}}$ can load balance among servers using DNS rotation
- $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ potential for congestion
- μ Napster "in control" (freedom is an illusion)
- ρ no security:
 - $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ passwords in plain text
 - μ no authentication
 - $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ no anonymity

2 Gnutella

- P Napster fixed
- ρ Open Source
- ρ Distributed
- p Still very political...

<u>Gnutella</u>

- p peer-to-peer networking: applications connect to peer applications
- p focus: decentralized method of searching for files
- p each application instance serves to:
 - μ store selected files
 - µ route queries (file searches) from and to its neighboring peers
 - μ respond to queries (serve file) if file stored locally
- p Gnutella history:
 - μ 3/14/00: release by AOL, almost immediately withdrawn
 - $_{\mu}$ too late: 23K users on Gnutella at 8 am this AM
 - μ many iterations to fix poor initial design (poor design turned many people off)

Gnutella: how it works

Searching by flooding:

- p If you don't have the file you want, query 7 of your partners.
- p If they don't have it, they contact 7 of their partners, for a maximum hop count of 10.
- Requests are flooded, but there is no tree structure.
- P No looping but packets may be received twice.
- p Reverse path forwarding(?)

Note: Play gnutella animation at:

http://www.limewire.com/index.jsp/p2p

Flooding in Gnutella: loop prevention



<u>Gnutella message format</u>

- p Message ID: 16 bytes (yes bytes)
- p FunctionID: 1 byte indicating
 - μ 00 ping: used to probe gnutella network for hosts
 - μ 01 pong: used to reply to ping, return # files shared
 - μ 80 query: search string, and desired minimum bandwidth
 - ^µ 81: query hit: indicating matches to 80: query, my IP address/port, available bandwidth
- P Remaining TTL: decremented at each peer to prevent TTL-scoped flooding
- HopsTaken: number of peer visited so far by this message
- p DataLength: length of data field

Gnutella: initial problems and fixes

- Freeloading: WWW sites offering search/retrieval from Gnutella network without providing file sharing or query routing.
 - μ Block file-serving to browser-based non-file-sharing users
- Prematurely terminated downloads:
 - μ long download times over modems
 - modem users run gnutella peer only briefly (Napster problem also!) or any users becomes overloaded
 - μ fix: peer can reply "I have it, but I am busy. Try again later"
 - $_{\mu}$ late 2000: only 10% of downloads succeed
 - μ 2001: more than 25% downloads successful (is this success or failure?)

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Gnutella: initial problems and fixes (more)

- p 2000: avg size of reachable network ony 400-800 hosts. Why so small?
 - modem users: not enough bandwidth to provide search routing capabilities: routing black holes
- P Fix: create peer hierarchy based on capabilities
 - μ previously: all peers identical, most modem blackholes
 - μ connection preferencing:
 - favors routing to well-connected peers
 - favors reply to clients that themselves serve large number of files: prevent freeloading
 - Limewire gateway functions as Napster-like central server
 on behalf of other peers (for searching purposes)



- ρ Not anymore than it's scalable.
- p The person you are getting the file from knows who you are. That's not anonymous.
- P Other protocols exist where the owner of the files doesn't know the requester.

- ρ Peer-to-peer anonymity exists.
- p See Eternity and, next, Freenet!

Gnutella Discussion:

- p Architectural lessons learned?
- p Do Gnutella's goals seem familiar? Does it work better than say squid or summary cache? Or multicast with carousel?
- $\boldsymbol{\rho}$ anonymity and security?
- ρ Other?
- p Good source for technical info/open questions:

http://www.limewire.com/index.jsp/tech_papers

Lecture 3: Distributed Hash Tables

- p Can we go from content to location in one go?
- p Can we still retain locality?
- ρ Can we keep any anonimity
- p Look at Chord, Tapestry, CAN (pastry is similar......)
- P Notice how networking people like silly names³

6. Chord: A Scalable Peer-to-peer Lookup Service for Internet Applications

> Ion Stoica, Robert Morris, David Karger, M. Frans Kaashoek, Hari Balakrishnan

> > MIT and Berkeley

Now we see some CS in strength – Hash and Content based....for more scaleble (distributed) directory lookup

presentation based on slides by Robert Morris (SIGCOMM'01)
Outline

- Motivation and background
- Consistency caching
- 🗅 Chord
- Performance evaluation
- Conclusion and discussion

Motivation

How to find data in a distributed file sharing system?



Lookup is the key problem



- Requires O(M) state
- Single point of failure



□ Worst case O(N) messages per lookup



Only exact matches

Routing Challenges

- Define a useful key nearness metric
- Keep the hop count small
- Keep the routing tables "right size"
- Stay robust despite rapid changes in membership

Authors claim:

Chord: emphasizes efficiency and simplicity

Chord Overview

Provides peer-to-peer hash lookup service:

 \Box Lookup(key) \rightarrow IP address

Chord does not store the data

How does Chord locate a node?

How does Chord maintain routing tables?

How does Chord cope with changes in membership?

Chord properties

Efficient: O(Log N) messages per lookup

N is the total number of servers

- □ Scalable: O(Log N) state per node
- Robust: survives massive changes in membership

Proofs are in paper / tech report

Assuming no malicious participants

Chord IDs

 \square m bit identifier space for both keys and nodes

□ Key identifier = SHA-1(key) Key="LetItBe" → ID=60

□ Node identifier = SHA-1(IP address) IP="198.10.10.1" SHA-1 → ID=123

Both are uniformly distributed

How to map key IDs to node IDs?



□ A key is stored at its successor: node with next higher ID

Consistent Hashing

Every node knows of every other node

requires global information

Routing tables are large O(N)

 \Box Lookups are fast O(1) $_0$





"Finger Tables"

 \Box Every node knows m other nodes in the ring

Increase distance exponentially



"Finger Tables"

 \Box Finger *i* points to successor of *n*+2^{*i*}





Joining the Ring

□ Three step process:

Initialize all fingers of new node

Update fingers of existing nodes

Transfer keys from successor to new node

Less aggressive mechanism (lazy finger update):

Initialize only the finger to successor node

Periodically verify immediate successor, predecessor

Periodically refresh finger table entries

Joining the Ring - Step 1

Initialize the new node finger table

Locate any node p in the ring

Ask node p to lookup fingers of new node N36



Joining the Ring - Step 2

Updating fingers of existing nodes

new node calls update function on existing nodes

existing nodes can recursively update fingers of other nodes



Joining the Ring - Step 3

Transfer keys from successor node to new node

only keys in the range are transferred



Handing Failures

Failure of nodes might cause incorrect lookup



N80 doesn't know correct successor, so lookup fails

Successor fingers are enough for correctness

Handling Failures

Use successor list

Each node knows r immediate successors

□ After failure, will know first live successor

Correct successors guarantee correct lookups

Guarantee is with some probability

 \Box Can choose r to make probability of lookup failure arbitrarily small

Evaluation Overview

- Quick lookup in large systems
- Low variation in lookup costs
- Robust despite massive failure

Experiments confirm theoretical results

Cost of lookup

Cost is O(Log N) as predicted by theory

□ constant is 1/2



Robustness

Simulation results: static scenario

□ Failed lookup means original node with key failed (no replica of keys)



Result implies good balance of keys among nodes!

Robustness

Simulation results: dynamic scenario

Failed lookup means finger path has a failed node



500 nodes initially
average stabilize() call 30s
1 lookup per second (Poisson)
x join/fail per second (Poisson)

Current implementation

- □ Chord library: 3,000 lines of C++
- Deployed in small Internet testbed
- 🗅 Includes:
 - Correct concurrent join/fail
 - Proximity-based routing for low delay (?)
 - Load control for heterogeneous nodes (?)
 - Resistance to spoofed node IDs (?)

Strengths

Based on theoretical work (consistent hashing)

Proven performance in many different aspects

• "with high probability" proofs

Robust (Is it?)

Weakness

- **NOT** that simple (compared to CAN)
- Member joining is complicated
 - aggressive mechanisms requires too many messages and updates
 - no analysis of convergence in lazy finger mechanism
- Key management mechanism mixed between layers
 - upper layer does insertion and handle node failures
 - □ Chord transfer keys when node joins (no leave mechanism!)
- Routing table grows with # of members in group
- Worst case lookup can be slow

Discussions

Network proximity (consider latency?)

Protocol security

Malicious data insertion

Malicious Chord table information

Keyword search and indexing

• ...

8. A Scalable, Content-Addressable Network

Sylvia Ratnasamý, Paul Francis, ³Mark Handley, ¹

Richard Karp^{1,2}, Scott Shenker¹



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 - peer-to-peer systems
 - Napster, Gnutella,, FreeNet, MojoNation...
 - large-scale storage management systems
 - Publius, OceanStore,, CFS ...
 - mirroring on the Web

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P Related systems: Chord/Pastry/Tapestry/Buzz/Plaxton ...
Problem Scope

- 4 Design a system that provides the interface
 - ✓ scalability
 - ✓ robustness
 - ✓ performance
 - 5 security
- 6 Application-specific, higher level primitives
 - × keyword searching
 - × mutable content
 - × anonymity

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CAN: solution

- ρ virtual Cartesian coordinate space
- ρ entire space is partitioned amongst all the nodes $_{\mu}$ every node "owns" a zone in the overall space
- ρ abstraction
 - μ can store data at "points" in the space
 - μ $\,$ can route from one "point" to another $\,$
- ρ point = node that owns the enclosing zone













node I::insert(K,V)



node I::insert(K,V) (1) $a = h_x(K)$



X = Q 88



X = Q 89

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node I::insert(K,V) (1) $a = h_x(K)$ $b = h_y(K)$ (2) route(K,V) -> (a,b)

(3) (a,b) stores (K,V)



node J::retrieve(K) (1) $a = h_x(K)$ $b = h_y(K)$

(2) route "retrieve(K)" to (a,b)





Data stored in the CAN is addressed by name (i.e. key), not location (i.e. IP address)

CAN: routing table







CAN: routing

A node only maintains state for its immediate neighboring nodes



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4) split J's zone in half... new owns one half ¹⁰¹

Inserting a new node affects only a single other node and its immediate neighbors

CAN: node failures

- ρ Need to repair the space
 - μ recover database (weak point)
 - soft-state updates
 - use replication, rebuild database from replicas
 - μ repair routing
 - takeover algorithm

CAN: takeover algorithm

ρ Simple failures

- μ know your neighbor's neighbors
- $\ensuremath{\,\,{}_{\mu}}$ when a node fails, one of its neighbors takes over its zone

p More complex failure modes

- μ simultaneous failure of multiple adjacent nodes
- μ scoped flooding to discover neighbors
- μ hopefully, a rare event

CAN: node failures

Only the failed node's immediate neighbors are required for recovery

<u>Design recap</u>

p Basic CAN

- μ completely distributed
- μ self-organizing
- $\ensuremath{\,\mu}$ nodes only maintain state for their immediate neighbors

ρ Additional design features

- μ multiple, independent spaces (realities)
- ${}_{\mu}$ background load balancing algorithm
- μ simple heuristics to improve performance

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Evaluation

- ρ Scalability
- ρ Low-latency
- p Load balancing
- ρ Robustness


- For a uniformly partitioned space with n nodes and d dimensions
 - μ per node, number of neighbors is 2d
 - $_{\mu}$ average routing path is (dn^{1/d})/4 hops
 - $_{\mu}~$ simulations show that the above results hold in practice
- p Can scale the network without increasing per-node state
- p Chord/Plaxton/Tapestry/Buzz
 µ log(n) nbrs with log(n) hops

CAN: low-latency

p Problem

μ latency stretch = <u>(CAN routing delay)</u> (IP routing delay)

 $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ application-level routing may lead to high stretch

$\boldsymbol{\rho}$ Solution

- $\mbox{$\mu$}$ increase dimensions, realities (reduce the path length)
- μ Heuristics (reduce the per-CAN-hop latency)
 - RTT-weighted routing
 - multiple nodes per zone (peer nodes)

CAN: low-latency



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CAN: load balancing

- ρ Two pieces
 - μ Dealing with hot-spots
 - popular (key,value) pairs
 - nodes cache recently requested entries
 - overloaded node replicates popular entries at neighbors
 - μ Uniform coordinate space partitioning
 - uniformly spread (key,value) entries
 - uniformly spread out routing load

Uniform Partitioning

- ρ Added check
 - μ at join time, pick a zone
 - μ check neighboring zones
 - μ pick the largest zone and split that one

Uniform Partitioning



CAN: Robustness

p Completely distributed

- μ no single point of failure (not applicable to pieces of database when node failure happens)
- Not exploring database recovery (in case there are multiple copies of database)
- ρ Resilience of routing

.. can notite anound trouble

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Strengths

- P More resilient than flooding broadcast networks
- p Efficient at locating information
- p Fault tolerant routing
- Node & Data High Availability (w/ improvement)
- Manageable routing table size & network traffic

Weaknesses

- p Impossible to perform a fuzzy search
- p Susceptible to malicious activity
- Maintain coherence of all the indexed data (Network overhead, Efficient distribution)
- p Still relatively higher routing latency
- Poor performance w/o improvement



- p Catalog and Meta indexes to perform search function
- p Extension to handle mutable content efficiently for web-hosting
- p Security mechanism to defense against attacks

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 - μ distributed binning

Distributed Binning

- ρ Goal
 - μ \quad bin nodes such that co-located nodes land in same bin

p Idea

- μ well known set of landmark machines
- μ each CAN node, measures its RTT to each landmark
- μ orders the landmarks in order of increasing RTT
- ρ CAN construction
 - μ place nodes from the same bin close together on the CAN

Distributed Binning

- μ 4 Landmarks (placed at 5 hops away from each other)
- μ naïve partitioning



Ongoing Work (cont'd)

- ρ Topologically-sensitive CAN construction
 μ distributed binning
- ρ CAN Security (Petros Maniatis Stanford)
 - μ spectrum of attacks
 - μ appropriate counter-measures

Ongoing Work (cont'd)

- ρ CAN Usage
 - μ Application-level Multicast (NGC 2001)
 - μ Grass-Roots Content Distribution
 - µ Distributed Databases using CANs
 (J.Hellerstein, S.Ratnasamy, S.Shenker, I.Stoica, S.Zhuang)

Summary

- ρ CAN
 - ${\boldsymbol{\mu}}$ an Internet-scale hash table
 - ${}_{\mu}$ potential building block in Internet applications
- ρ Scalability
 - μ O(d) per-node state
- p Low-latency routing
 - $_{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$ simple heuristics help a lot
- ρ Robust

Wrapup discussion questions (1):

- P What is a peer-peer network (what is not a peer-to-peer network?). Necessary:
 - µ every node is designed to (but may not by user choice) provide some service that helps other nodes in the network get service
 - $_{\mu}$ no 1-N service providing
 - µ each node potentially has the same responsibility, functionality (maybe nodes can be polymorhpic)
 - corollary: by design, nothing (functionally) prevents two nodes from communicating directly
 - ^µ some applications (e.g., Napster) are a mix of peer-peer and centralized (lookup is centralized, file service is peer-peer) [recursive def. of peer-peer]
 - µ (logical connectivity rather than physical connectivity) routing will depend on service and data

Overlays?

- p What is the relationship between peer-peer and application overlay networks?
 - Peer-peer and application overlays are different things.
 It is possible for an application level overlay to be built using peer-peer (or vice versa) but not always necessary
 - ^µ Overlay: in a wired net: if two nodes can communicate in the overlay using a path that is *not* the path the network level routing would define for them. Logical network on top of underlying network
 - source routing?
 - Wireless ad hoc nets what commonality is there REALLY?

Wrapup discussion questions (2):

- ρ What were the best p2p idea
- vote now (and should it be a secret ballot usign Eternity³

Wrapup discussion questions (3):

- ρ Is ad hoc networking a peer-peer application?
 μ Yes (30-1)
- p Why peer-peer over client-server?
 - μ A well-deigned p2p provides better "scaability"
- ρ Why client-server of peer-peer
 - μ peer-peer is harder to make reliable
 - µ availability different from client-server (p2p is more often at least partially "up")
 - ${}_{\mu}$ more trust is required
- If all music were free in the future (and organized), would we have peer-peer.
 - μ Is there another app: ad hoc networking, any copyrighted data, peer-peer sensor data gathering and retrieval, simulation
- ρ Evolution #101 what can we learn about systems? 131