

Information Technology Engineering

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р2р, DHT, ...

PEER TO PEER NETWORKING

Slides derived from those available on the Web site of the book "Computer Networking", by Kurose and Ross, PEARSON

Pure P2P architecture

- no always-on server
- arbitrary end systems directly communicate
- peers are intermittently connected and change IP addresses

examples:

- file distribution (BitTorrent)
- Streaming (KanKan)
- VoIP (Skype)



File distribution: client-server vs P2P

<u>Question</u>: how much time to distribute file (size F) from one server to N peers?

- peer upload/download capacity is limited resource



File distribution time: client-server

- server transmission: must sequentially send (upload) N file copies:
 - time to send one copy: F/u_s
 - time to send N copies: NF/u_s
- client: each client must download file copy
 - d_{min} = min client download rate
 - min client download time: F/d_{min}



time to distribute F to N clients using $D_{c-s} \ge max\{NF/u_{s,}, F/d_{min}\}$ client-server approach

increases linearly in N

File distribution time: P2P

- server transmission: must upload at least one copy
 - time to send one copy: F/u_s
- client: each client must download file copy
 - min client download time: F/d_{min}



- clients: as aggregate must download NF bits
 - max upload rate (limting max download rate) is $u_s + \Sigma u_i$

time to distribute F to N clients using P2P approach $D_{P2P} \ge max\{F/u_{s,}, F/d_{min,}, NF/(u_s + \Sigma u_i)\}$ increases linearly in N ...

... but so does this, as each peer brings service capacity

Client-server vs. P2P: example

client upload rate $u_i = u$, F/u = 1 hour, $u_s = 10u$, $d_{min} \ge u_s$



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P2P file distribution: BitTorrent

file divided into 256Kb chunks

peers in torrent send/receive file chunks



P2P file distribution: BitTorrent

- Peer joining torrent:
 - has no chunks, but will accumulate them over time from other peers
 - registers with tracker to get list of peers, connects to subset of peers ("neighbors")



- While downloading, peer uploads chunks to other peers
- Peer may change peers with whom it exchanges chunks
- Churn: peers may come and go
- Once peer has entire file, it may (selfishly) leave or (altruistically) remain in torrent

BitTorrent: requesting, sending file chunks

requesting chunks:

- At any given time, different peers have different subsets of file chunks
- Periodically, Alice asks each peer for list of chunks that they have
- Alice requests missing chunks from peers, rarest first

sending chunks: tit-for-tat

- Alice sends chunks to those four peers currently sending her chunks at highest rate
 - other peers are choked by Alice (do not receive chunks from her)
 - re-evaluate top 4 every 10 secs
- Every 30 secs: randomly select another peer, starts sending chunks
 - "optimistically unchoke" this peer
 - newly chosen peer may join top 4

BitTorrent: tit-for-tat

- (I) Alice "optimistically unchokes" Bob
- (2) Alice becomes one of Bob's top-four providers; Bob reciprocates
- (3) Bob becomes one of Alice's top-four providers



Distributed Hash Table (DHT)

- DHT: a distributed P2P database
- database has (key, value) pairs; examples:
 - key: ss number; value: human name
 - key: movie title; value: IP address
- Distribute the (key, value) pairs over the (millions of peers)
- A peer queries DHT with key

 DHT returns values that match the key
- Peers can also insert (key, value) pairs

Q: how to assign keys to peers?

- Central issue:
 - assigning (key, value) pairs to peers.
- Basic idea:
 - Convert each key to an integer
 - Assign integer to each peer
 - Put (key,value) pair in the peer that is closest to the key

DHT identifiers

- Assign integer identifier to each peer in range [0,2ⁿ-1] for some n.
 - each identifier represented by n bits.
- Require each key to be an integer in same range
- To get integer key, hash original key

- e.g., key = hash("Led Zeppelin IV")

 This is why its is referred to as a distributed "hash" table

Assign keys to peers

- Rule: assign key to the peer that has the closest ID.
- Convention in lecture: closest is the *immediate successor* of the key.
- e.g., *n*=4; peers: 1,3,4,5,8,10,12,14;
 - key = 13, then successor peer = 14
 - key = 15, then successor peer = 1





- each peer *only* aware of immediate successor and predecessor.
- "overlay network"

Circular DHT (I)



Circular DHT with shortcuts



- each peer keeps track of IP addresses of predecessor, successor, short cuts.
- reduced from 6 to 2 messages.
- possible to design shortcuts so O(log N) neighbors, O(log N) messages in query

Peer churn



handling peer churn:

peers may come and go (churn)
each peer knows address of its
two successors
each peer periodically pings its
two successors to check aliveness
if immediate successor leaves,
choose next successor as new
immediate successor

example: peer 5 abruptly leaves

•peer 4 detects peer 5 departure; makes 8 its immediate successor; asks 8 who its immediate successor is; makes 8' s immediate successor its second successor.

•what if peer 13 wants to join?