DATA COMMUNICATON NETWORKING

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Course Overview

Basics of Computer Networks

- Internet & Protocol Stack
- Application Layer
- Transport Layer
- Network Layer
- Data Link Layer

Advanced Topics

- Case Studies of Computer Networks
- Internet Applications
- Network Management
- Network Security

P2P Architectures

- 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

Question: 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 client-server approach

network

 $D_{cs} > max\{ NF/u_s, F/d_{min} \}$

d;

 U_i

File Distribution Time: P2P

- Server transmission: 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 (limiting max download rate) is u_s + Su_i

time to distribute F to N clients using P2P approach

network

 $D_{P2P} > max{F/u_s, F/d_{min}, NF/(u_s + \Sigma u_i)}$

d;

 U_i

Client-Server vs. P2P Example



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

BitTorrent

File divided into 256Kb chunks Peers in torrent send/receive file chunks



BitTorrent

New Peer

- 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 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 every10 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

- (1) 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



DHT: Distributed Hash Table

- 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

How to assign key 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

Assigning 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



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



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?

Socket Programming

Two socket types for two transport services:

- UDP: unreliable datagram
- TCP: reliable, byte stream-oriented

Application Example

- Client reads a line of characters (data) from its keyboard and sends the data to the server.
- The server receives the data and converts characters to uppercase.
- The server sends the modified data to the client.
- The client receives the modified data and displays the line on its screen.