Evaluating Performance in (Structured Peer-to- Peer) Overlay Networks

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KTH Informations- och kommunikationsteknik

- 1. The Statistical Theory of Chord Under Churn (IPTPS'05)
- 2. An Analytical Study of a Structured Overlay
- in the Presence of Dynamic Membership (IEEE/ACM -TON,2008)
- 3. Comparing Maintenance Strategies for Overlays (Proceedings of PDP2008, Toulouse)
- 4. An Analytical Framework for evaluating Performance in Proximity-aware Overlay Networks (Draft)

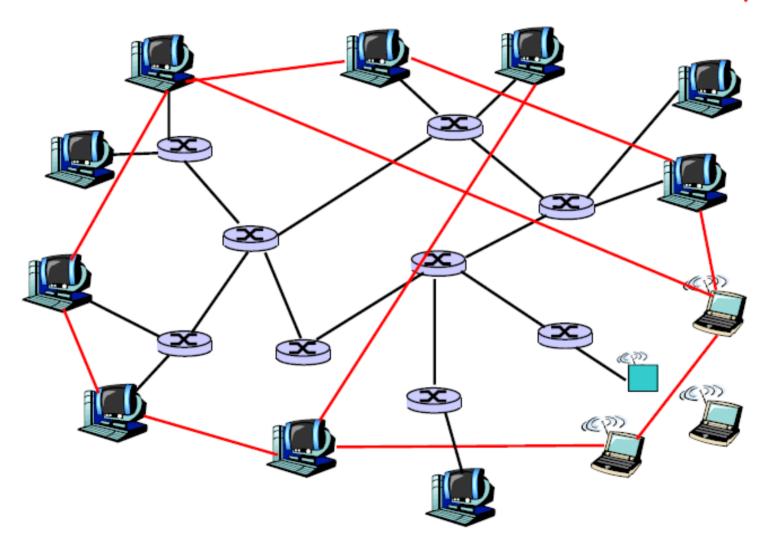
Networks

- A network is a set of vertices (nodes) and connections (edges) between them.
- Examples include the Internet, Social Networks, neural networks, metabolic networks, food webs, citation networks, etc
- Current research focuses on :
- 1) Finding quantities which describe network properties and suggesting ways to measure them.
- 2) Creating models of evolving networks that help understand what sort of evolution rules (or optimization strategies) give the above properties.
- 3) Predicting behaviour of networked systems based on structural properties and local rules (How will network structure affect some process occurring on the network?)
- This talk related to 3) with added complication that the process is occurring on an evolving network.

Overlay networks



— overlay edge



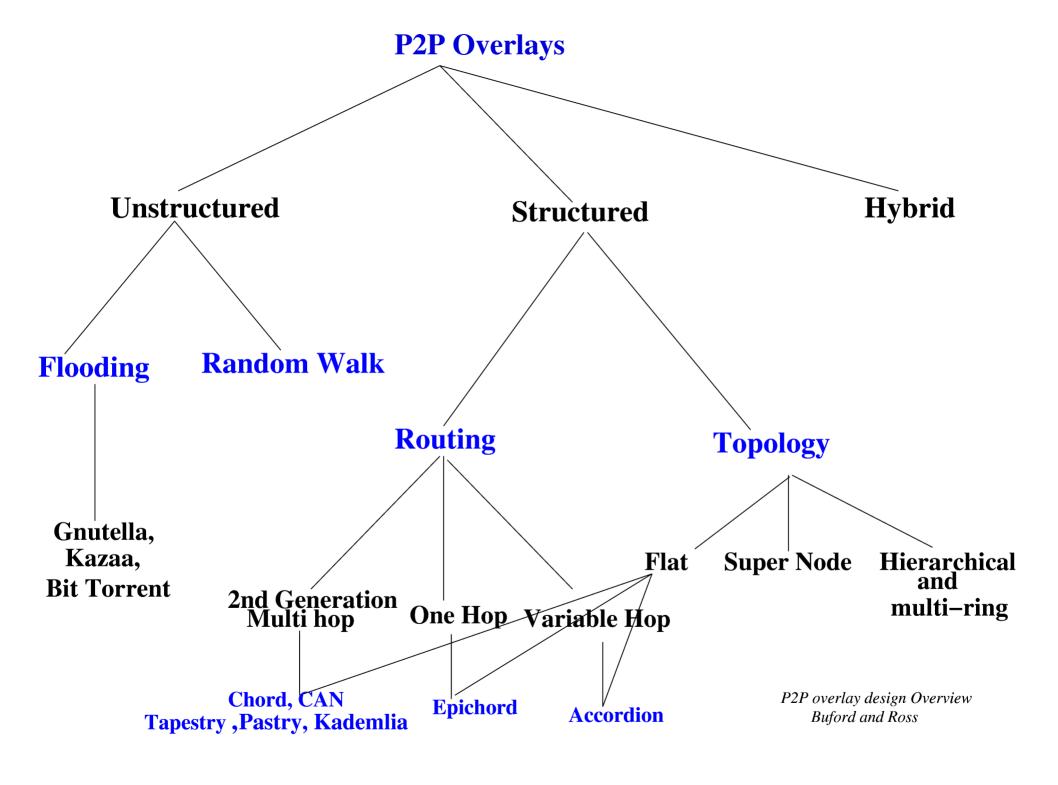
 An overlay network is a virtual network of nodes and logical links that is built on top of an existing network with the purpose to implement a network service that is not available in the existing network (I. Stoica)

Peer-to-Peer

- A distributed network architecture may be called a Peer-to-Peer network if the participants share a part of their own hardware resources (processing power, storage capacity, network link capacity).
- Network is highly dynamic: peers are highly transient
- Fault-tolerant architecture: No single point of failure
- Potential to enable rapid and low-cost deployment of large-scale applications

But.....

P2P systems are at the mercy of their user population in terms of both system performance and the extent and variety of available content

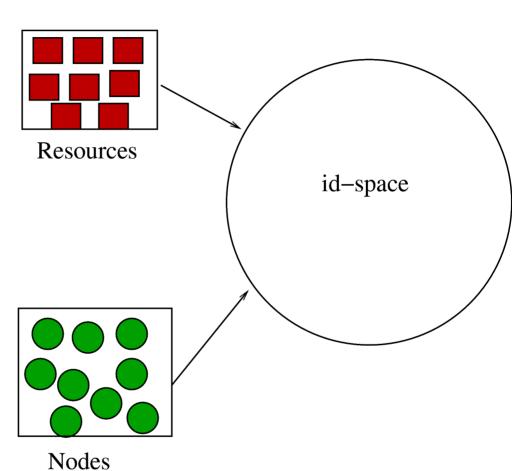


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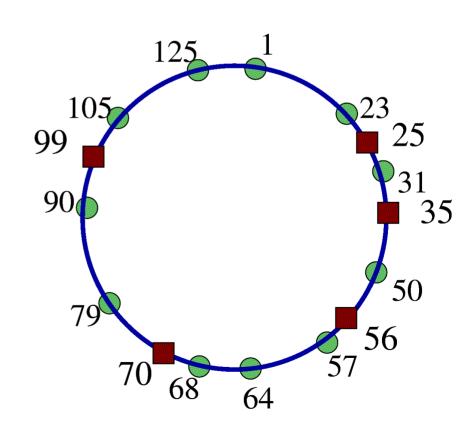


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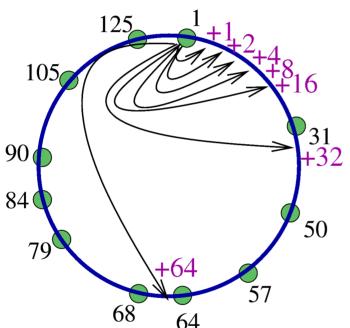
•Management of identifier space by nodes (so that when nodes join or fail, the effect is 'local')



Distributed Hash Tables (Structured P2P Overlays)

Connect Nodes+ Specify Routing strategy
 (design a network which allows fast searches using a simple greedy algorithm)

• Eg. Chord

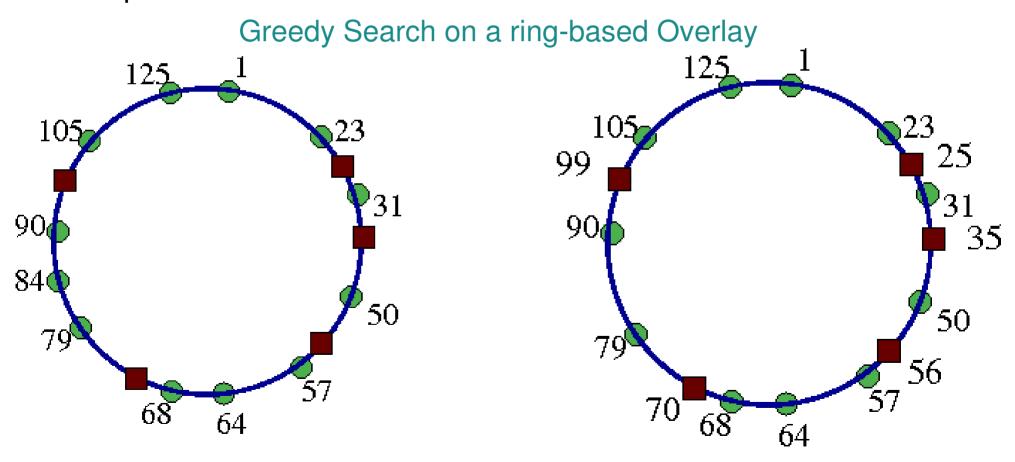


Finger Table Entries for Node 1

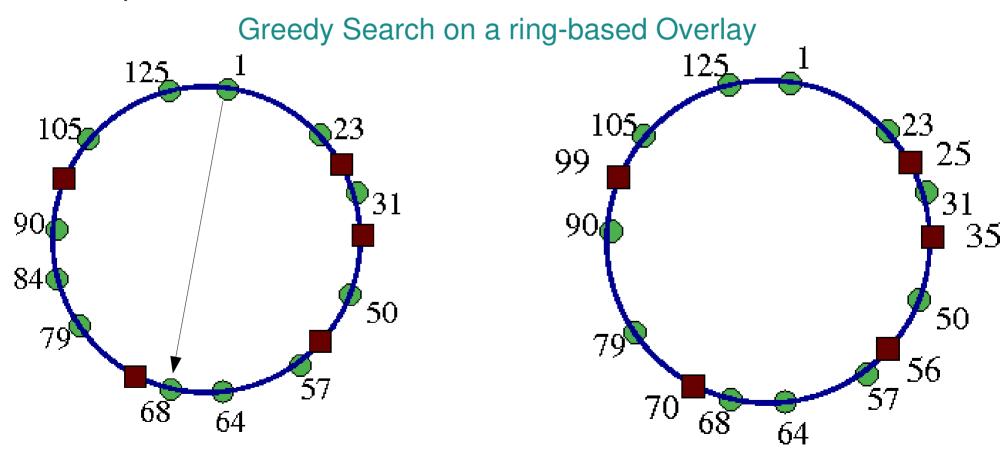
Start	Node
+20	31
+21	31
+22	31
+23	31
+24	31
+25	50
+2 ⁶	68

- •Routing strategy: Go as close to target as possible, without overshooting
- Maintenance Strategy: Periodically check all connections (necessary in the face of node joins and failures: *Churn*)

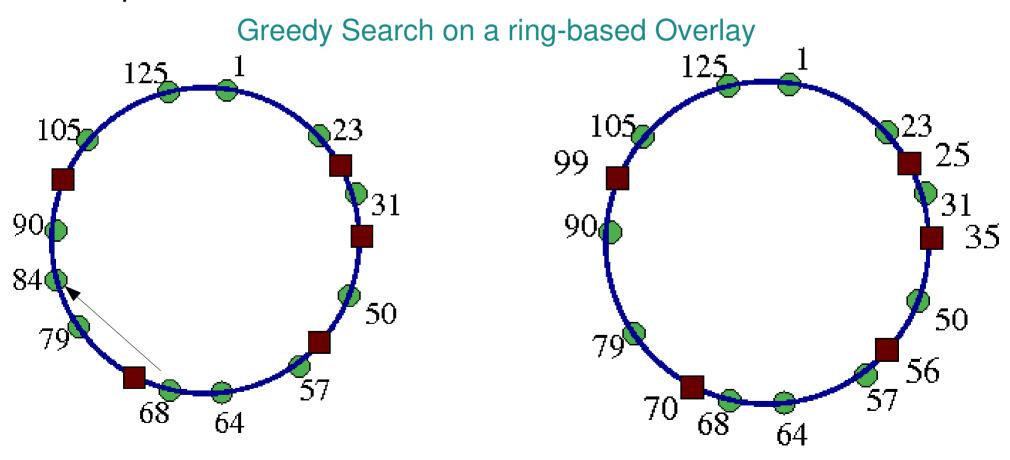
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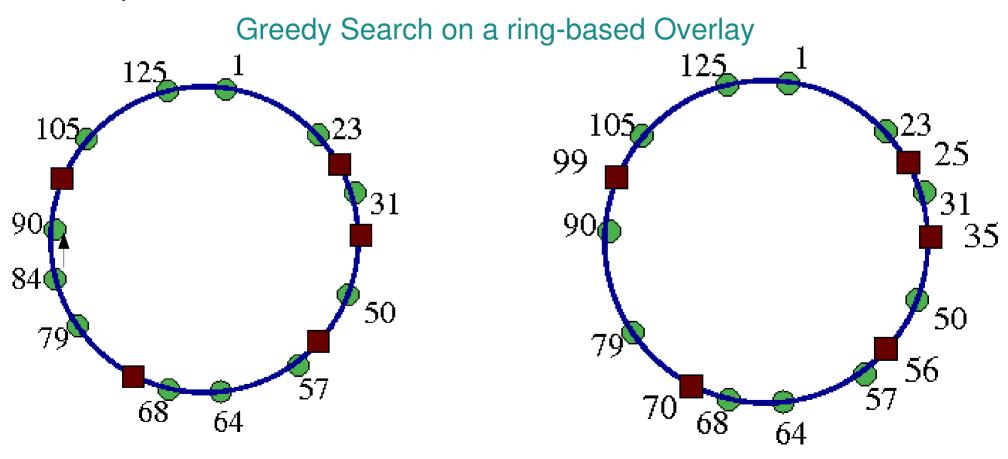
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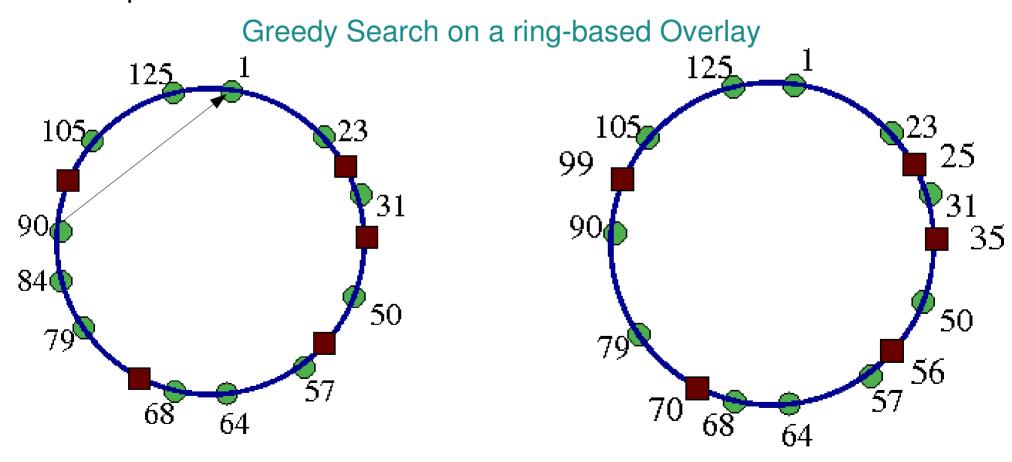
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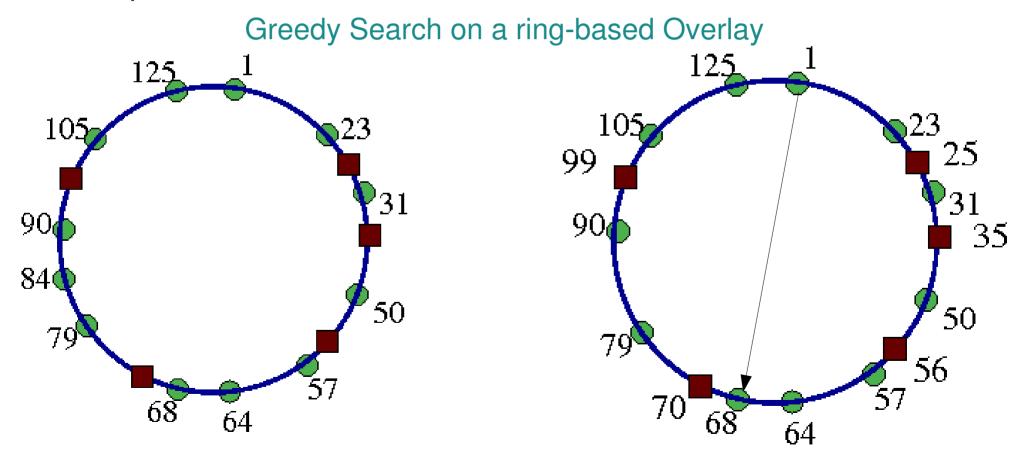
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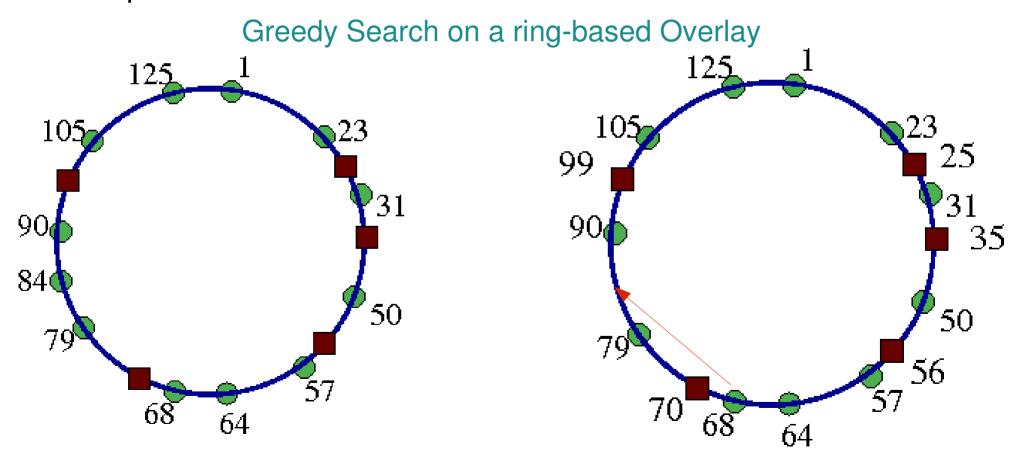
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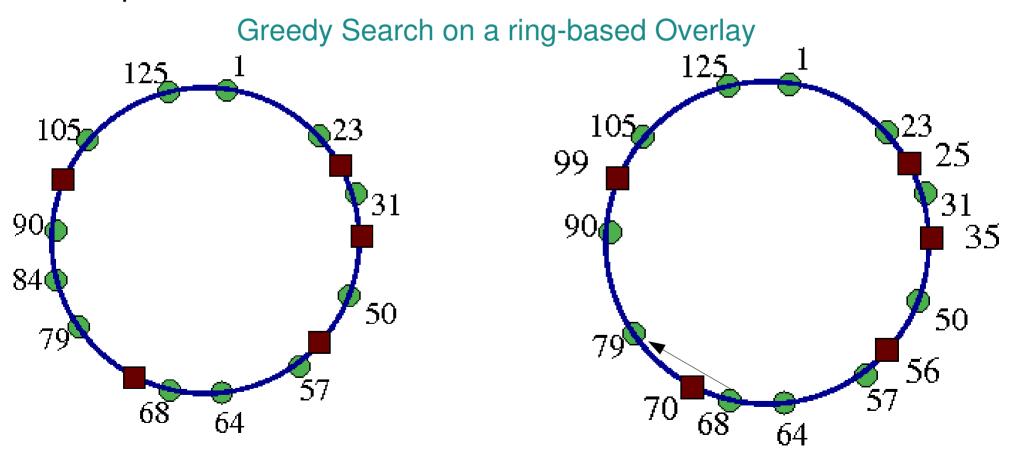
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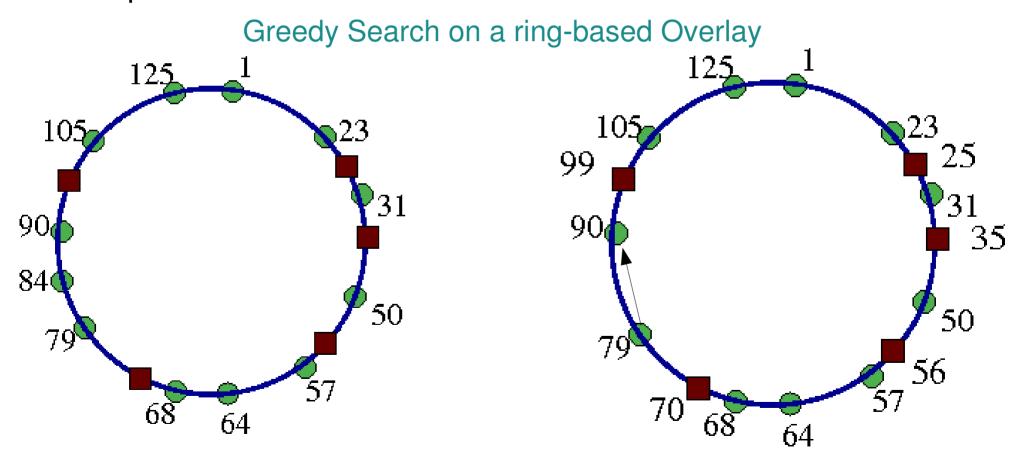
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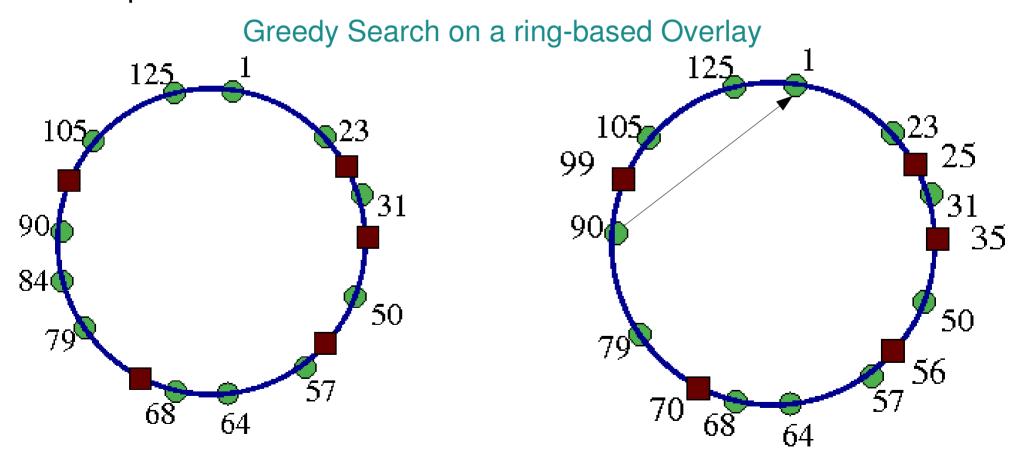
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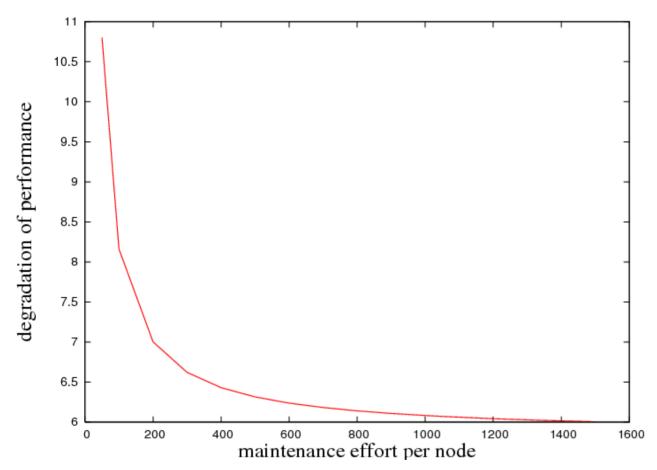
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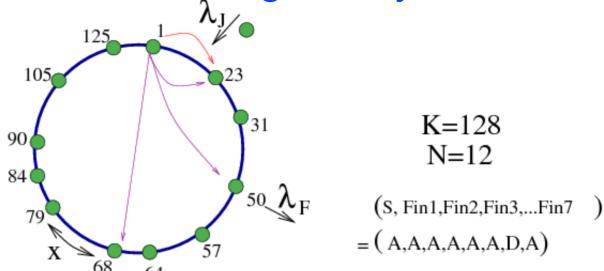


Cost vs. Performance



- Earlier approaches have either been empirical -Li et al (IPTPS 2004), Rhea et al (Usenix 2004), Castro et al (DSN 2004),
- or have focussed on proving theoretical bounds Liben-Nowell *et al* (PODC 2002), Aspnes *et al* (PODC 2002).
- We are able to predict the performance as a function of the parameters, for the full working range.

Parameters defining the System



Periodic Maintenance

•Rate of periodically checking a successor or a finger

 $\lambda_{\rm I}$: Rate of Joins

 $\lambda_{\rm F}$: Rate of Failures

 $\lambda_{S}\alpha$: Rate of checking Successors

 $\lambda_{s}(1-\alpha)$: Rate of checking Fingers

Reactive Maintenance

- Rate of periodically checking successor
- •Rate of sending messages once error is found

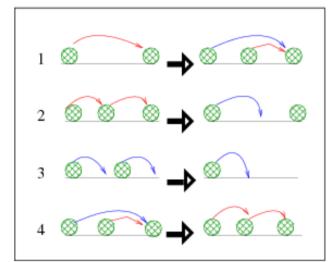
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 λ_{s} : Rate of checking Successors

 $\lambda_{\mathbf{M}}$: Rate of sending messages

Probability of Failed or Outdated First Successor Pointers



$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|}\hline \text{Change in }W_1(r,\alpha) & \underline{\quad \text{Prob. of Change}}\\ W_1(t+\Delta t)=W_1(t)+1 & (\lambda_j N\Delta t)(1-w_1)\\ W_1(t+\Delta t)=W_1(t)+1 & \lambda_f N(1-w_1)^2\Delta t\\ W_1(t+\Delta t)=W_1(t)-1 & \lambda_f Nw_1^2\Delta t\\ W_1(t+\Delta t)=W_1(t)-1 & \alpha\lambda_s Nw_1\Delta t\\ W_1(t+\Delta t)=W_1(t) & otherwise \\ \hline \end{array}$

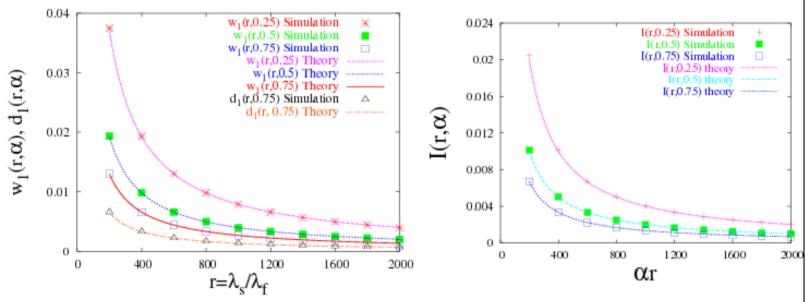
 $W_1 \equiv$ the number of wrong (failed or outdated) s_1 pointers

 $D_1 \equiv \text{number of } failed \ s_1 \text{ pointers}$

$$\frac{dW_1}{dt} = \lambda_j N(1 - w_1) + \lambda_f N(1 - w_1)^2 - \lambda_f N w_1^2 - \alpha \lambda_s N w_1$$

$$\mathbf{w_1}(r,\alpha) = \frac{2}{3+r\alpha} \approx \frac{2}{r\alpha}; \quad \mathbf{d_1}(r,\alpha) \sim \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{w_1}(r,\alpha)$$

Theory and Simulation for $w_1(r, \alpha)$, $d_1(r, \alpha)$, $I(r, \alpha)$



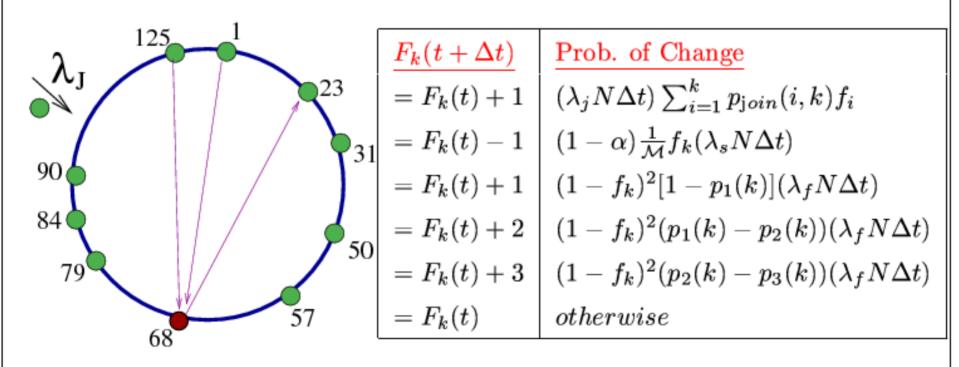
- $w_1(r, \alpha) \equiv$ fraction of incorrect first successor pointers
- $d_1(r, \alpha) \equiv$ fraction of failed first successor pointers
- $I(r,\alpha) \equiv$ fraction of lookups which give inconsistent answers

$$I(r,\alpha) = w_1(r,\alpha) - d_1(r,\alpha) \sim \frac{1}{\alpha r}$$

Number of failed k^{th} Fingers: F_k

(Periodic Maintenance Strategy)

Definition: For a node n, the k^{th} finger is the first node succeeding $n + 2^{k-1}$, $1 \le k \le \mathcal{M}$.

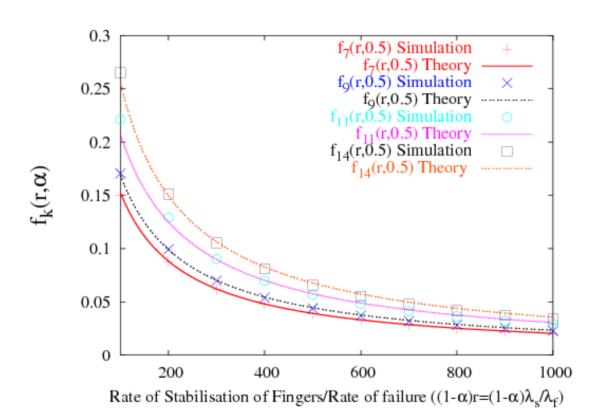


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(Reactive Maintenance Strategy)

$$\begin{array}{|l|l|} \hline F_k(t+\Delta t) & \text{Prob. of Change} \\ \hline = F_k(t) + 1 & c_{3.1} = (\lambda_j N \Delta t) \sum_{i=1}^k p_{join}(i,k) f_i \\ \hline = F_k(t) - 1 & c_{3.2} = \frac{f_k}{\sum_k f_k} (\lambda_M N_{S_2} (1-w_1') A(w_1,w_1') \Delta t) \\ \hline = F_k(t) + 1 & c_{3.3} = (1-f_k)^2 [1-p_1(k)] (\lambda_f N \Delta t) \\ \hline = F_k(t) + 2 & c_{3.4} = (1-f_k)^2 (p_1(k)-p_2(k)) (\lambda_f N \Delta t) \\ \hline = F_k(t) + 3 & c_{3.5} = (1-f_k)^2 (p_2(k)-p_3(k)) (\lambda_f N \Delta t) \\ \hline = F_k(t) & 1-(c_{3.1}+c_{3.2}+c_{3.3}+c_{3.4}+c_{3.5}) \end{array}$$

Theory and Simulation for $f_k(r,\alpha)$: The fraction of failed kth fingers



Lookup Hop Count: Theory

The Cost (Latency) for a node n to lookup a target $t = \xi + m$ is:

$$C_{\xi+m} = C_{\xi} [1 - a(m)]$$

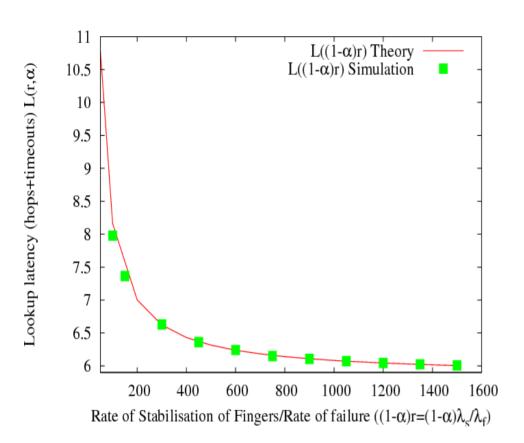
$$+ (1 - f_k)a(m) \left[1 + \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} bc(i, m)C_{m-i} \right]$$

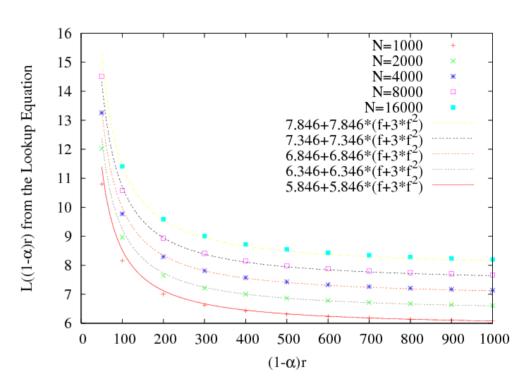
$$+ f_k a(m) \left[1 + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} h_k(i) \right]$$

$$\sum_{l=0}^{\xi/2^i - 1} bc(l, \xi/2^i)(1 + (i-1) + C_{\xi_i - l + m}) + O(h_k(k)) \right]$$

where
$$\xi = 2^{k-1} + n$$
, $\xi_i \equiv \sum_{m=1,i} \xi/2^m$ and
$$h_k(i) = a(\xi/2^i)(1 - f_{k-i})\Pi_{s=1,i-1}(1 - a(\xi/2^s) + a(\xi/2^s)f_{k-s}) \quad i < k$$
$$h_k(k) = \Pi_{s=1,k-1}(1 - a(\xi/2^s) + a(\xi/2^s)f_{k-s})$$

Results



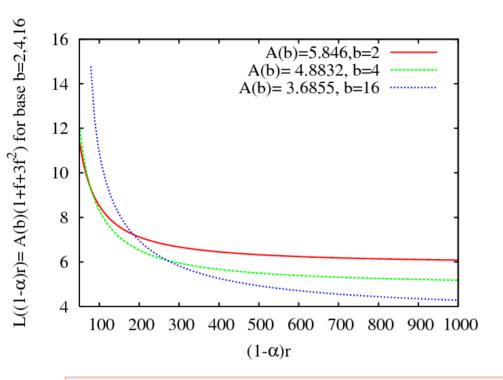


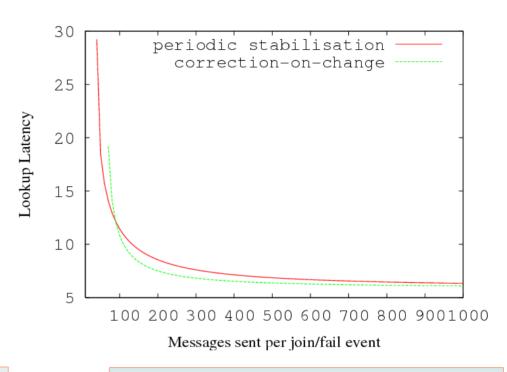
Comparison of theory and Simulations for N=1000

Prediction of Performance for higher N based on functional form

L~ ½ log₂N(1+f(r) + 3f(r)

Results(contd.)

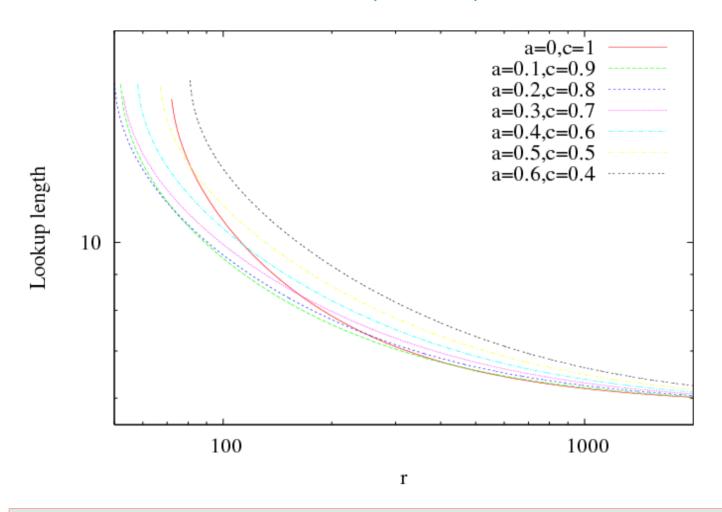




We can predict Performance for different routing table sizes (varying number of connections per node)

We can also predict
Performance for
different maintenance
strategies (active vs.reactive)

Results(contd.)



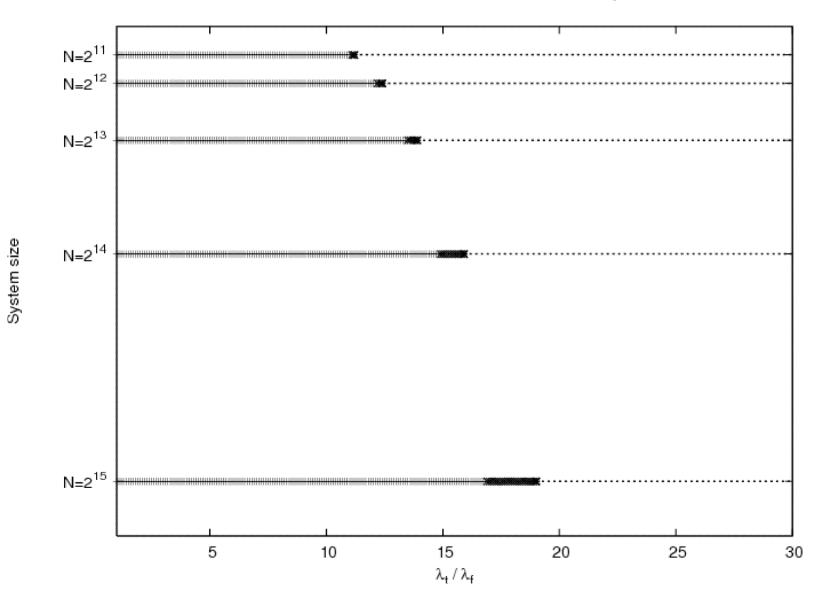
Interestingly, there is a specific value of the control parameter for which the reactive strategy works best

Recent Results and Future Directions

- Lookup Latency is a better measure of performance.
- To take the *time* into account, we have generalised the theory so that lookups are not *instantaneous*
- By doing this, we can also take proximity into account
- ➤ We analyse two algorithms used by proximity-aware networks (Proximity neighbor selection and Proximity route selection), within the formalism, for a simple distribution of delays, a fraction *p* of the links are slow, and 1-p are fast.
- For the future, we would like to take *congestion* into account account as well.

Recent Results (contd.)

Phase Transitions in Parameter space



Summary

- We have analysed in detail a structured P2P network and shown that performance can be accurately predicted even while keeping all the details of the functioning of the system.
- We have quantified performance as the number of hops, as well as the time taken by an average lookup.
- For the latter case, we need to generalise the theory to take into account the fact that lookups are not instantaneous, due to link- delays.
- New results include the prediction of a region in phasespace where the system does not function efficiently (all the long fingers are dead **all** the time)