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Hybrid DHT Design for Mobile Communications Environments

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P2P Networking in Mobile Scenarios

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Special challenges:

- Mobility of users (covered by lower OSI-layers)
- High costs of mobile data transfer
→ High churn rates
- Limited resources of mobile devices
- Low transmission data rates
- High failure probability
(link breaks, discharged batteries)



DHTs in Mobile Scenarios

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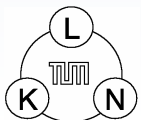
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Disadvantages resulting from:

- High churn rates
→ high maintenance traffic
- High node failure probability
→ unavailability of shared content



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Two classes of nodes:

Static nodes

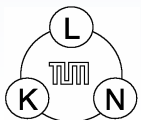
- highly-available
- long session length
- large resources
- store all object references

Temporary nodes

- join overlay network usually for a short period of time
- do not store object references
- forward all incoming requests to closest static node

Object references are stored only at static nodes!

- Significantly reduced network maintenance traffic
- Decreased load and traffic for temporary (mobile) nodes
- Increased availability of content



Chord and Hybrid Chord Protocol

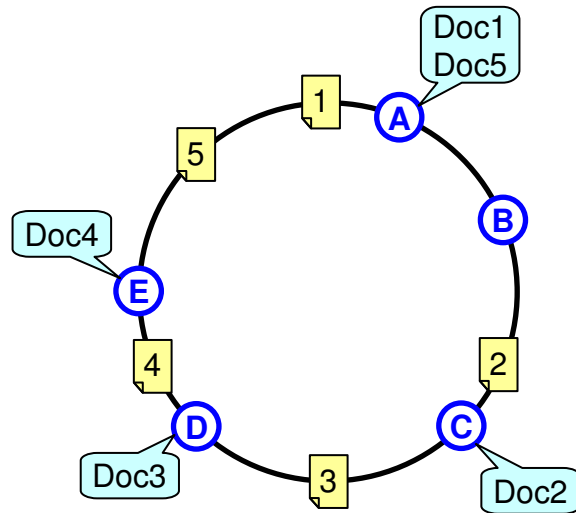
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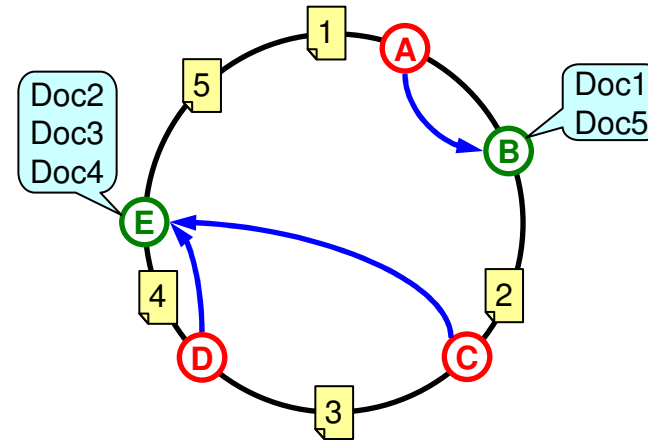
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Chord Protocol:

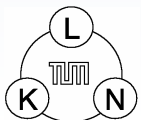


Hybrid Chord Protocol:



Static nodes: B, E

Temporary nodes: A, C, D



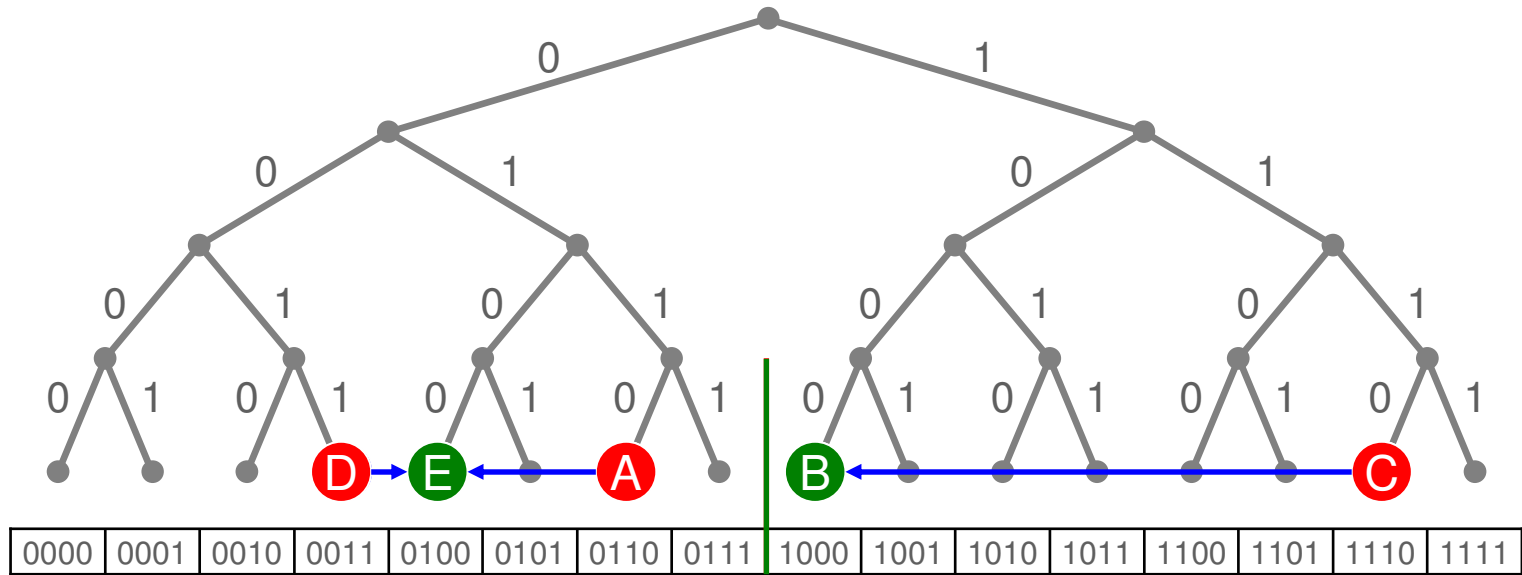
Kademlia and Hybrid Kademlia Protocol

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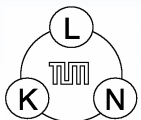
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- A** H(A) = 0110
- B** H(B) = 1000
- C** H(C) = 1110
- D** H(D) = 0011
- E** H(E) = 0100

From Kademlia to Hybrid Kademlia:

Static nodes: B, E
Temporary nodes: A, C, D



Realization

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Different JOIN and LEAVE procedures:

`n.joinStatic()`

```
setupRoutingTable();  
n = find_next_static(n.id);  
transfer_matching_references(n);  
start_timers();
```

`n.joinTemporary()`

```
setupRoutingTable();  
n = find_next_static(n.id);  
set_next_static(n);  
start_timers();
```

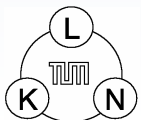
`n.leaveStatic()`

```
n = find_next_static(n.id);  
transfer_references(n);  
inform_neighboring_nodes();  
stop_timers();
```

`n.leaveTemporary()`

```
inform_neighboring_nodes();  
stop_timers();
```

Pseudocode for hybrid system structure setup



Simulation setup

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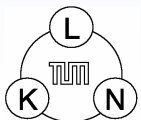
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- Chord and Hybrid Chord Protocol
- Modified NS-2 implementation (only overlay sim.)
- Traffic generator allows definition of different node classes (with appropriate parameters)

```
nodeclass WLAN_NOTEBOOK
    mean_online_time 3600s
    failure_probability 10%
    shared_objects 50
    query_rate 300s
nodeclass UMTS_PHONE
    mean_online_time 1800s
    failure_probability 25%
    shared_objects 20
    query_rate 120s
nodeclass GPRS_PHONE
    mean_online_time 900s
    failure_probability 50%
    shared_objects 5
    query_rate 60s
initial
    100 WLAN_NOTEBOOK
    100 UMTS_PHONE
    100 GPRS_PHONE
simulation-duration 1h
```



Evaluation of Maintenance Traffic

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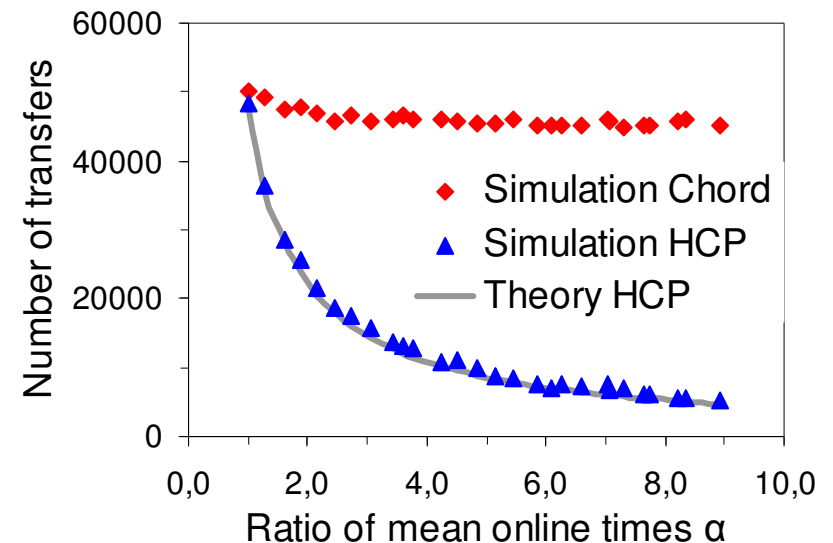
Analytical evaluation¹:

- Traffic generated by shifting object references: λ
- Average session length of a Chord node: T_{Chord}
- Average session length of a static HCP node: $T_{HCP,static}$

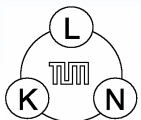
$$\lambda_{HCP} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \cdot \lambda_{Chord} \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha = \frac{T_{HCP,static}}{T_{Chord}}$$

Simulation:

- 1000 nodes
- 100 static, 900 temporary
- Mean session length:
 - static nodes: 300s...3000s
 - temporary nodes: 300s



¹ S. Zöls, S. Schubert, W. Kellerer, Z. Despotovic, „Hybrid DHT Design for Mobile Environments“, AP2PC 2006.



Real World Scenario – Maintenance Traffic

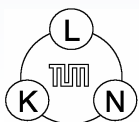
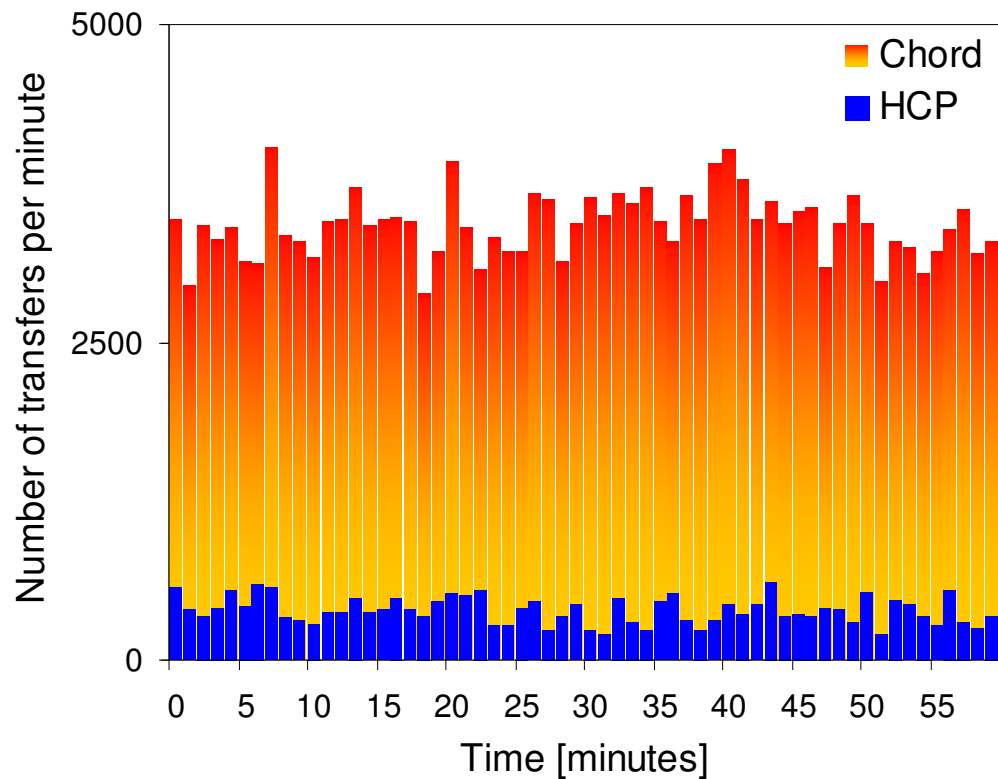
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- 2000 nodes, partitioned into five different node classes:
 - 100 office computers
 - 700 DSL subscribers
 - 400 ISDN users
 - 400 PDAs
 - 400 mobile phones
- Hybrid Chord Protocol selects office and DSL nodes as static nodes



Real World Scenario – Query Success

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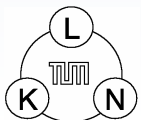
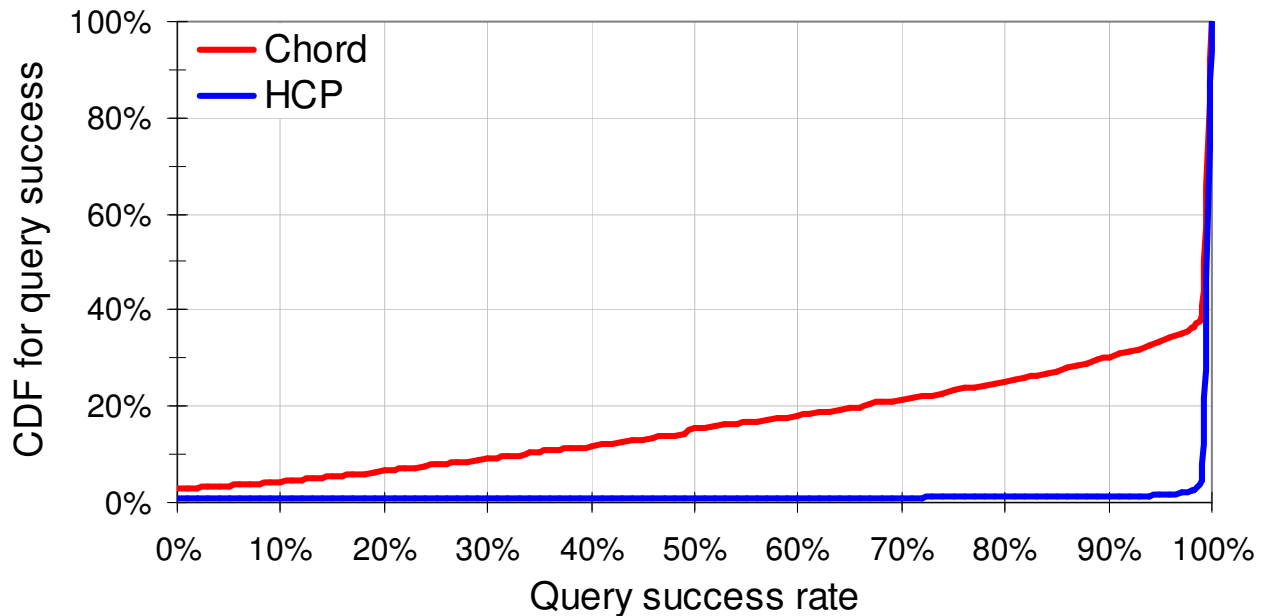
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- Definition:

$$\text{Query success rate} = \frac{\text{Number of hosts in query result}}{\text{Number of providing hosts}}$$

- Republishing of shared objects every 900s



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- Goal: Extension of DHTs to mobile environments
- Hybrid DHT Design:
 - Static nodes
 - Temporary nodes
- Advantages:
 - ✓ Easy to implement
 - ✓ Disburdening of mobile participants
 - ✓ Significantly decreased maintenance traffic
 - ✓ Increased content availability

